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GW'S FIRST HOUSING venture outside the district is at the Virginian.

GW opens housing in Virginia

Rosslyn apartments mark University's first venture outside D.C.

by Patrice Sonberg

Managing Editor

GW has negotiated a three-year lease for 200 spaces in the Virginian, a high-rise apartment in Rosslyn, Va., the University's first residence hall outside the district.

The Office of Housing and Residence Life is holding a special lottery March 20 for spaces in the Virginian, which features wall-to-wall carpeting, full furnishings, color TV, cable, free parking, a swimming pool and 24-hour security.

The 100 apartments — located on four floors and accommodating two people each — will be open to all undergraduates. Rising seniors will receive first choice, followed by returning juniors, sophomores and freshmen. According to the Director of Housing and Residence Life Ann Webster, if undergraduates do not fill the spaces, the apartments will open to graduate students.

Webster said the rooms were purchased to "meet the existing

demands for housing" and return the Thurston Hall rooms to their intended capacity.

"We see a great need for additional housing until we can get something permanent," Webster said.

According to Webster, three room sizes are available: the straight efficiency, set at \$4,090 per academic year; the one bedroom, priced at \$4,260 an academic year; and the senior one bedroom, for \$4,400 per school year. All rates are subject to change and must be approved by GW's Board of Trustees, Webster said.

Students residing in the Virginian can opt for a 12-month lease, Webster said, and the extra three month's charge will be based on the academic year's monthly rate.

According to Webster, the Virginian apartments are most comparable to those in Riverside Towers, but are larger and more "luxurious." Other amenities the Virginian offers include a roof deck for sunning and observation, men's and women's sauna and HBO.

Students who live in the Virginian — including sophomores — will not be required to be on the meal plan, Webster noted.

According to Residence Hall Association Vice President Chris Speron, the walk from the Virginian to the Rosslyn Metro Station is seven minutes — comparable to the walk from Mitchell Hall to the Foggy Bottom metro station — and the metro ride is usually one minute.

"Waiting for the metro is what's going to cost you time," Speron said, noting the longest Metro trip is during non-rush hour periods when it can take up to 20 minutes to get from the Virginian to campus.

Referring to the building's distance from campus, Webster said, "I see it as being a little different, but we're going to try to build community... this is a very lovely place.

"The walk (from campus) will be offset by the advantages that go with it," she added.

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Bias' mother warns youth against drugs

by Drew Pollinsky

Hatchet Staff Writer

Lonise Bias, mother of the late All-American basketball star Len Bias, addressed more than 80 students about the problems of drugs, alcohol and AIDS in the Marvin Center Thursday.

"I have not come here tonight to tell you a sad story. Len died four years ago, and our problem is four times worse now as it was before Len Bias died," she said. "But my concern today are for the beautiful young people that are situated right here tonight."

Len Bias died at 22 in his dormitory at the University of Maryland from a cocaine-induced heart attack. Two days before his death he was the Boston Celtics' first choice in the NBA draft and the second selection overall.

Bias said the focus of her lecture was not to solve Washington's problems, but to emphasize the importance of standing up for what one believes in.

Bias said she knows there are great problems on college campuses.

"Either you are for us or you are against us. And far more of our young people today know right from wrong — they are just not real comfortable saying what they believe in.

"I have been termed as being abnormally enthusiastic," she said, referring to her spirited, sermon-like delivery. "I'm very intense because the enemy is destroying our young people like crazy: destroying, destroying, destroying."

Bias mocked Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" program and its half-hearted attempts to deter drug abuse, including putting red ribbons on car antennas.

"This world that we're dealing with today is an everyday battle. And I have only come tonight to solicit your help in this battle — simply by standing up for what you believe in," she said.

Bias, who described herself as an uneducated, common woman, said, "The things I will attempt to share with you tonight, are just everyday. Everyday means of trying to reach a common goal to save this nation.

"I loved my son a great deal," she said. "I'm a firm believer that God took the love that I had for Len and supplied it all for other young people.

"I will continue to do what I have to do. I have been mandated to go out to speak to the young people of this nation," Bias added.

She said her son died to be an example to America.

"Len Bias has truly done more in death for this great nation than he could have done in life.

"In so many cases, we make entertainment our life. ... It's just a very small part of life. Len Bias died to save you, not to entertain you," she said.

Bias said anyone can get 300,000 people to march for pro-choice abortion rally and 200,000 people for pro-life rally, but no one can get 50 parents together to march against drugs.

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Health plan sign-up starts today

Fewer employee packages offered, free base care added for '90-91

by Mark Vane

Editor-in-Chief

Open enrollment for GW employee health insurance programs begins today, offering five plans from two carriers, opposed to last year's 12 choices from seven companies.

Coverage for GW's 6,200 eligible employees in 1990-91 is estimated to cost the University \$8.4 million, an increase of \$900,000 from 1989-90.

According to Vice President for Information and Administrative Services Walter Bortz, rising medical costs and a GW carrier going out of business led to changes in University health benefits.

TIAA, the University's major medical carrier, decided to cease standard coverage Jan. 1, 1990, however, TIAA agreed to continue coverage until June 30, 1990, at a cost of \$120,000 per month. As of July 1, 1990, GW would then have to have a new carrier.

A February report from Bortz to GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg contained the findings of a University benefits review committee. The report stated TIAA "originally designed and intended as an add-on to a base plan, has been used, in fact, like an indemnity plan" by 1,300 eligible employees, 22 percent of GW's insurance pool. However, according to James Clifford, director of Personnel Services, some at GW covered by TIAA Major Medical may have received other base insurance from health plans of their spouses.

TIAA Major Medical cost the University \$28.54 per month for individuals and \$65.85 for families. In addition, the University contributed \$80 per month for basic coverage for individuals and families. In the case of Health Maintenance Organizations, where major

medical is incorporated into the plans, GW contributed \$105 a month for individuals and \$138 for families.

Clifford said even with the University's \$80 contribution towards health insurance besides major medical, some employees opted not to pay the minimum \$12.30 per month for some type of basic coverage, nor the \$121.77 for family care.

According to Clifford, TIAA "has never been to stand alone as coverage, (it) has always been extra to base coverage." Therefore, since TIAA is not an option, he added, the University has had to increase its insurance payment per

full-time employee to \$113.15 per month — a cost equal to the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Preferred Physician Option, which is therefore available at no cost to full-time individuals.

The employees who use GW medical care — 3,700 individuals and 2,500 families — can choose from BC/BS Indemnity, where any doctor can be used; BC/BS PPO, where physicians must be chosen from a specific list of hundreds of names; and HMOs including BC/BS Capital Care, GW Health Plan Standard Option and GW Health Plan Standard Option. Also, employees

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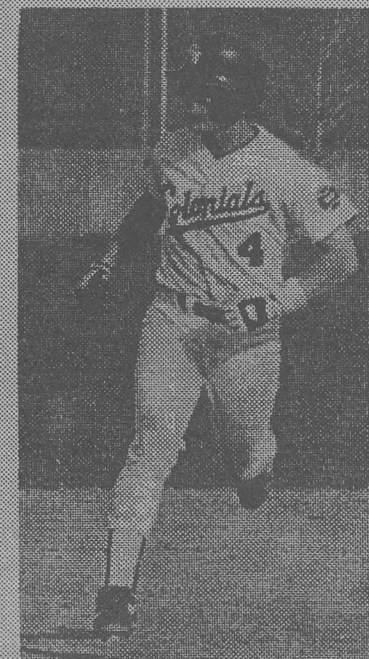


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Moore thoughts: mortal editor counters recent Hatchet-bashing

It's amazing how many people read newspapers but don't understand them. You'd think journalism was a safe business, that writers would only be writing for people who read and people who read all understand what they're reading. It doesn't work that way.

What I'm getting at is some of the recent Hatchet-bashing, most of which is about the Philip Barocas story. Barocas, a GW student, died Feb. 17 as a result of head injuries received when he fell off a moving car on Feb. 9. Being journalists, some of us think the death of a GW student is newsworthy. It's even more newsworthy when the D.C. Metropolitan police are investigating the death in the homicide division.

This is news. Some people don't understand the concept of news. Some people write letters about how Hatchet coverage has been "disrespectful." They accuse Brian Reilly, the news editor and reporter of the story, of being personally insensitive. I've worked around Brian for a while now. I don't think there's anyone in this office who is more sensitive.

But apparently a lot of people agree with the idea that this paper has been insensitive. A letter from Scott Rosenbaum accuses The Hatchet of reporting the story in a shameful manner. He says we were trying to "write a story with the ever salient fraternity hazing angle." I don't think so. He says "it would be nice if you utilize the lessons taught here at GW on

ethics in journalism." I think we did. The most ethical thing for a journalist to do is to get the story and get it right. So far everything Reilly has written about the Barocas case is true. Ethics at work, no?

Rosenbaum is by no means our only critic. Today's Hatchet contains a column written by CD President Amy Heir. Up front I should say that Heir and I were once engaged in a power struggle for control of the College Democrats. It was a struggle I lost, overwhelmingly, and I have nothing but respect for her ability to amass power. Her talent helped get me where I am today — across the hall in the Hatchet office, typing happily with the cynical journalists I used to misunderstand almost as much as Heir still does.

Heir's column is mostly a mindless attack on other matters (including "Moore thoughts," of all things), but she does find time to add her abrasive voice to those who think we've mishandled the Barocas story. We showed a lack of respect for the student and his fraternity and all who knew him, she says.

I think she's wrong. The truth isn't always as respectful and deferential as we would have it be. That's life and that's unfortunate. The good news is that news is interesting, people read it and care about it. It ties us together as a community.

That's not enough for some folks, though. Confusing the message with the messenger is old hat. Talk to people on the street and they don't make a distinction between "news" and

"news analysis" and "editorial" and "columnist." The categories journalists live and die by go undistinguished by many readers, readers too busy living their lives to make such distinctions.

But we need those distinctions. Please, readers, understand that the formal nature of the news page is not the place for us to sugarcoat a story. Blabbing about sensitivity isn't what we're here for. We're here to try to tell you what's going on — and, occasionally, in a different place we throw in a few points of view about what it all means. We're here to tell true stories about mortal human beings. We fail a thousand times a day, but being mortals ourselves we are too stupid to stop trying.

-Christopher Moore

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Soviet politicians hail changes

Central Committee members predict further blossoming of democracy

by Shelby Rosenberg

Hatchet Staff Writer

Three members of the Soviet Union's Central Committee praised the revolutionary change in their country and provided an inside perspective on the nation's future at a panel discussion sponsored by the GW Program Board in the Marvin Center Thursday, attended by more than 70 people.

Alexander Lebedev said he and his colleagues were visiting the United States on a "mission" to negotiate with U.S. publishing agencies. He said many topics were discussed, including living and working conditions for journalists in both the United States and the Soviet Union.

Lebedev said he favors striking "Article 6" out of the Soviet constitution, which guarantees Communist control of the Soviet government, and he said its deletion will lead to the forming of new political parties.

Some parties are just taking old revolutionary names, he said, and they "can hardly claim to be real parties at this moment . . . they're a bit extravagant."

Lebedev said these steps are just the beginning because political pluralism has numerous manifestations. For the first time, he said, there is a freely elected Congress of Peoples' Deputies, the "real parliament, Soviet style."

He said some delegates show "aggressive expression," saying they are challenging Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev on the idea of introducing a presidential position similar to American and French models. The proposal has yet to be approved or rejected by the Soviet Congress.

According to Lebedev, other changes in the direction of further political pluralism concern the rights of property, land ownership and leases, as well as multiple candidates running for seats in the local councils.

More than 80 percent of the candidates were members of the Communist party, Lebedev said, "but they express a variety of ideological views."

He said the candidates vary from "ultra left to ultra right," with many variations in between, and they all coexist within the framework of the Communist party. Candidates and members of the Soviet government agree that the Soviet people are in favor of major changes, and, Lebedev said, everyone has his own methods on how to do so.

"Democracy is being expressed in the streets," he said. "By the fall, you will see quite a new political situation . . . with unpredictable changes in terms of political structure and reform."

Lebedev said the Soviet Union will definitely maintain its individuality, but along universal democratic perceptions.

Another panel member, Alexander Likhotal, said *perestroika*, the Soviet reform plan, was like an earthquake, and the Central Committee was in the core.

"I do believe the Communist party will still play a part in the domestic affairs of the Soviet Union," Likhotal said, adding that the party helped to shape society in the necessary direction.

If that structure is ruined, and another structure isn't there, it could lead to a collapse, and, he said, "It would be a dramatic result for the international situation."

Leonid Dobrokhov spoke on the possibility of Soviet citizens owning land in the future, saying property is presently being leased to the people. He said polls show a majority believe the old ways of state-owned property, and collective farming in agriculture must be reorganized.

Those who lease land and equipment from the state "must have the right to buy it as a sum of the properties of individuals," he said.

Lebedev said people can own a piece of land and leave it to their heirs, but, as the law now stands, they cannot sell it.

Grand jury to hear case against student

D.C. police completed an investigation into the death of GW freshman Philip Barocas, who died as a result of head injuries received Feb. 9 after falling off a moving car, and a grand jury will determine whether criminal charges should be brought against the driver, according to a Metropolitan Police official.

D.C. Homicide Sgt. J.T. McCann confirmed the driver of the car was Andrew Gorenstein, a junior from Oyster Bay Cove on Long Island, N.Y. Yesterday, Gorenstein refused to comment on the investigation or the circumstances that preceded the accident.

The district attorney's office sent the investigation's results to a grand jury, which will hold a hearing on the accident and decide if Gorenstein should be charged.

Barocas, a pre-med major from Staten Island, N.Y., died Feb. 17 at GW Hospital after being in a coma for more than a week. Barocas, who

was pledging Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity, fell off the top of the car outside a bar, Quigley's II — 1825 I St. N.W. — where SAM, or Sammy, was holding a party. Barocas and other Sammy brothers were on their way to a second bar when Barocas fell off the top of the moving car and hit his head on the pavement.

A number of Sammy brothers who were with Barocas the night of the accident refused to comment.

The victim's father, Dr. Arthur Barocas, said he is not planning to take any legal action at this time, but will wait until more information on the accident is available.

GW's Office of Campus Life is continuing its investigation of the accident and is looking into "other concerns" about Sammy, said OCL Director LeNorman Strong.

-Brian Reilly

Bork to speak at GW

Retired D.C. Appeals Court Judge Robert H. Bork, whose Supreme Court justice nomination by then-President Ronald Reagan was rejected by the Senate, will speak at GW's National Law Center March 21.

Bork is scheduled to discuss "George Bush, The Presidency and the Constitu-

tion" in Lerner Hall, LL101 as part of the law center's 10th Annual Manuel F. Cohen Memorial Lecture. The speech is also part of the NLC Enrichment Program, designed to bring important legal professionals to informally speak to GW law students.

Brian Reilly



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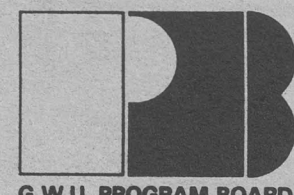
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Editorials

Wait 'til next year

Another GW basketball season has come to an end. Once again we have no possible chance of receiving an NCAA tournament bid, no Atlantic 10 title and no advancement past the quarterfinals of the conference tourney.

In short, another typical season for the GW Colonials. However, the 1989-90 GW basketball team managed to provide its fans with some truly exciting moments.

Who can forget when the Colonials pulled off a upset over Old Dominion in the Smith Center, then followed it up with one against West Virginia. Other memorable moments include the homecoming victory over St. Bonaventure that resulted in GW head coach John Kuester high-fiving faithful GW fans.

We must look back at the individual performances that can only lead one to believe that GW may have the finest athletes in the A-10, as well as a bright future. Junior Ellis McKennie proved to all that he is one of the premier guards in the league. Freshman Sonni Holland, named to the A-10 All-Rookie team, became a crowd favorite with his finesse and smooth shooting touch. Senior Mike Jones had his finest season in his final year.

But we also have to remember the bad and there's been some of that too.

Many of the wins were sloppy, games where GW made them close when they should have been blow outs. We also cannot afford to lose twice to A-10 conference cellar dwellers Duquesne — we are the better team.

Also, controversy hit the team when a player was released for "philosophical differences" with the coach. Events like these can take players minds of the court, possibly a cause of GW's up-and-down play.

There are far too many rumors going around campus about the team's lack of respect for Kuester. Even if these rumors are unwarranted, it is sometimes blatantly obvious on the court that the team seems undirected. Plays run amuck and poor shot selection often kills rallies.

Kuester has completed his fifth season at GW and his record is 50-94. There are no more excuses for the team's inability to rise out of the A-10's lower half. With his best squad to date, Kuester couldn't get it done.

Just as inconsistency is the buzz word of this year's squad, change is the word that needs to be heard for next year. We think it's time for John Kuester to go.

Home away from home

This weekend GW offered a special preview of its newest residence hall. Only this isn't your run-of-the-mill residence hall — it's in Rosslyn, Virginia, a Metro ride away from our campus.

The Virginian, which GW has leased for three years, is a much-needed answer to our University's space constraints. It's good to see GW finally doing something about the housing crunch by providing a temporary answer to the problem.

The investment is also an indication that future generations of GW students will benefit from an administration willing to pursue creative solutions to old problems.

The Virginia residence hall will be a perfect match for a certain kind of student. Sophomores who want to abandon the meal plan, juniors and seniors with off-campus jobs and students with an interest in a larger, luxurious living area may find the newest housing option worth considering. The free parking offered to students who will live in the Rosslyn residence hall is almost a million-dollar, if not hundred-dollar, bonus.

This is definitely a good first step — but only a first step. We hope administrators have plans for the future beyond the three years of the Rosslyn experiment. There are ways to make that experiment work better. We'd like to see some sort of shuttle service provided after the Metro is closed.

All in all, though, the new residence hall seems to be a project that's been well thought out by a housing office willing to try something different.

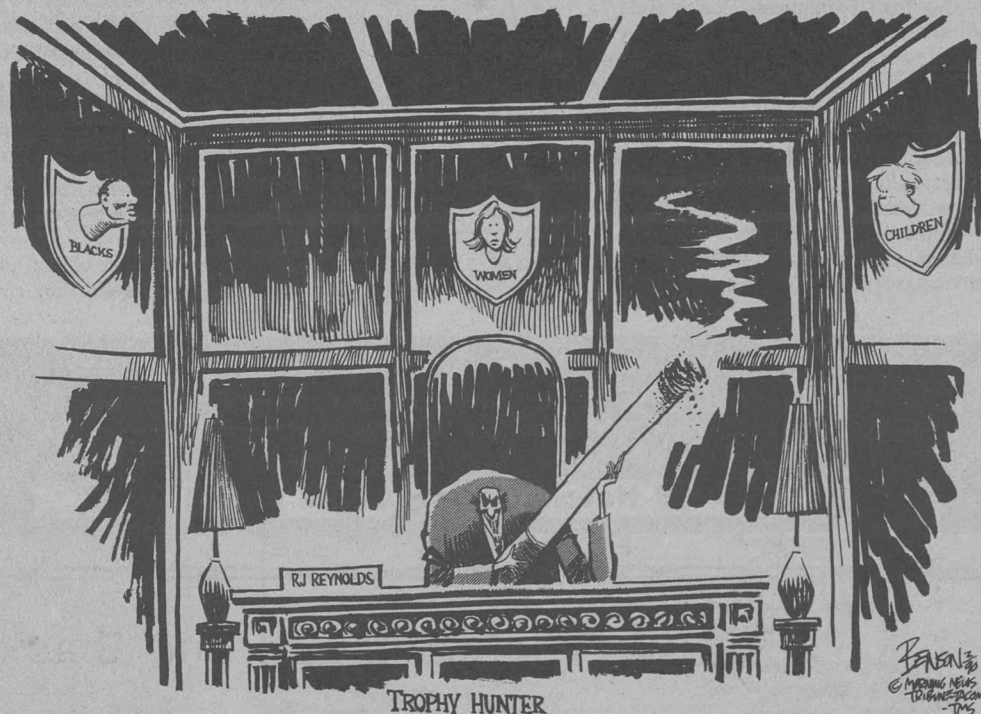
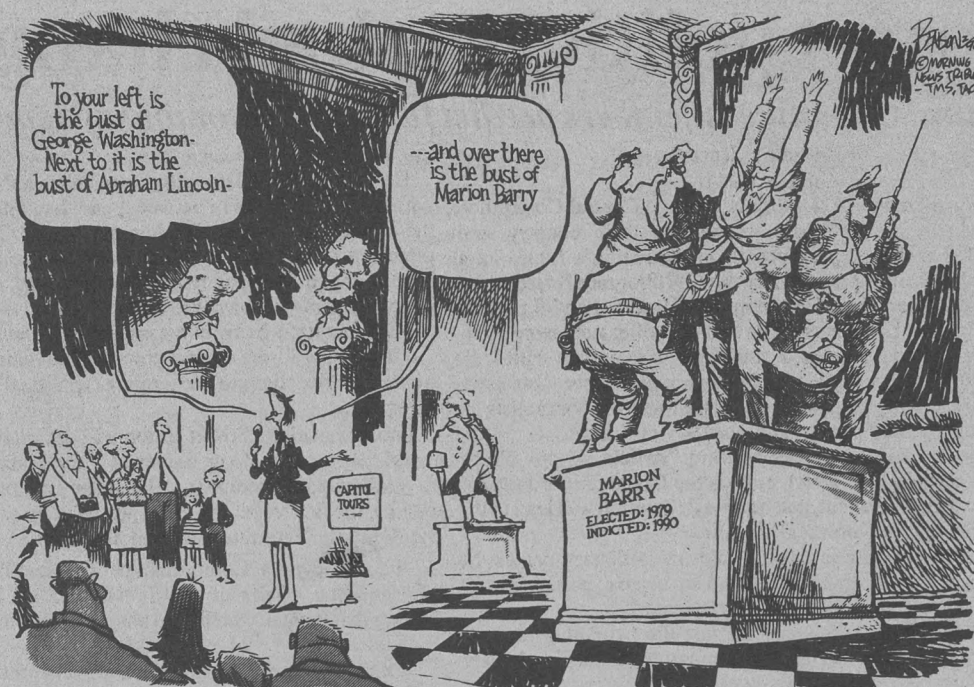
Maybe now Thurston Hall rooms won't resemble a can of sardines, students will have the opportunity to experience the Virginian's luxury and this investment will be a stepping stone for additional and more convenient GW housing.

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Letters to the editor

Our name is wrong

It is a known fact that the story of George Washington chopping down his father's cherry tree with a hatchet was pure fabrication. A historian who wanted to add some "color" to the tale of Washington's life added the tree-chopping bit to try to make it seem that our first President was very honest, even as a boy. The National Park Service tour guides tell you this bit of trivia as you walk the long way down (897 steps) from the top of the Washington Monument.

In light of the "hatchet" story being a fictional account, would it be appropriate to change the name of the campus newspaper to something more factual, such as The Potomac Crossing, for instance? Why, you could even hold a contest to come up with a new title. Just thought you'd like to know...

-Elizabeth A. Kimmerly

Southerner explains

I read Anne Wilson's article in the Feb. 22 issue concerning GW's Afro-American dinner. Maybe you were correct in your criticism of GW's selection of fried chicken, kale, collards, ribs

and chitterlings for the meal. However, you went on to say that the dinner seems "more befitting of a Southern tradition than an African American one." I am from the South and I do not find your comments flattering. You criticized GW for stereotyping blacks, when you, in turn, stereotyped Southerners. Don't you find that action hypocritical?

Because you are obviously not from the South, I suggest you do not speak of things that you know nothing about.

-Johnny L. Nelms

No Journal scandal

We are writing in response to an article published in the Feb. 22 issue of The GW Hatchet condemning the College Democrats publication, The GW Journal.

The Hatchet should stop looking for scandal where scandal does not exist. The Journal's endorsement pages were paid for from non-University funding. To our judgment, and originally the judgement of the Assistant for Financial Affairs, the Office of Campus Life and the Joint Elections Committee, the financial arrangement was completely justified and an expenditure approval was obtained from the GW Student Association's Vice President of Financial Affairs. Our interpretation of the

rule still stands by the fact that, at no time, were University funds used to publish our endorsements.

When VP Andy Alperstein changed his mind, a check was issued the next day to cover the entire cost of the publication. Although we do not agree with the SA's interpretation of the rules we saw no need, at that time, to take the matter any further thereby risking incumbrance and the damage of future programming.

This month's edition contained interesting and educational articles that dealt with issues such as Eastern Europe and the invasion of Panama. According to SA's interpretation of the rules, they are limiting all student publications the right to express their rights to freedom of speech — a right that was granted to The GW Hatchet in its last publication.

Rules were not intentionally maneuvered and the proper authorities were advised before publication. In the future, all relevant facts should be taken into account before a story is written. Maybe a student newspaper should concentrate on the good things organizations are trying to provide, rather than mindlessly searching for needles in a haystack.

-Jon Altenberg
-Sara Hutchinson
-Karen Waite
-GW College Democrats

Opinion

Drug legalization could hurt America — and its kids

I am writing in response to the column written by David Mandell in the March 1 edition of The GW Hatchet. In this letter, Mr. Mandell presented an argument for the legalization of drugs, specifically mentioning crack. His main argument was that students and people, such as himself, would not take drugs if they were legal. By arguing from this point, Mr. Mandell is totally missing the boat. The anti-drug campaign is not aimed at keeping people who don't wish to use drugs from doing so, but to keep addicts and innocent people from being affected by drugs.

For example, the legalization of drugs such as crack, cocaine and ice would be followed by a drastic drop in the price of these drugs, a so-called desired effect in an effort to drive drug lords and street pushers out of business. However, an undesired effect of this drop in the price would also make the drugs more available due to their low cost. As a result, it would be far easier for younger people

to purchase drugs, even if through a third party. The effects of drug use on adolescents and children are far reaching and quite serious. Children are our greatest resource, and the legalizing of drugs would endanger this asset.

Another problem with the legalization of drugs is the question of who should be able to use them. Should a police officer, a fireman, a teacher, a truck driver, a corporate accountant, a bus driver, a car mechanic or an airline pilot be able to use drugs? Everyone depends on these people. An accident caused by drugs by someone in one of these professions could endanger someone's future, business or life. Also, what should be the legal age for drug use? Should children be allowed to use drugs? If not, we are not solving a huge part of America's drug problem: use among children. If so, we are unnecessarily damaging this priceless resource.

Another question is which drugs to

legalize. If you think we should legalize all drugs, realize that this would drop the prices of the deadly drugs, therefore increasing the availability to the poor and the young. This may help curb crime in the city, but it is sentencing a

problems and deaths due to overdoses. Thus, the money that Mr. Mandell thought could go toward low-income housing and drug education, would instead be earmarked for rehabilitating, treatment and other areas affected by increasing overdoses.

If, however, you think we should only legalize "safe" drugs, such as marijuana, please realize that in doing so, we would not be solving many problems that plague cities such as ours. Gangs and drug lords do not wage gun battles over pot, but rather over ice, coke and crack (among others). These are the truly deadly drugs that draw such a big price, and by legalizing marijuana, the problems of the inner-city would continue unabated. As far as marijuana, just because other drugs, such as nicotine and alcohol, are legal is not an excuse to legalize more drugs. Two or three wrongs do not make a right.

Lastly, Mr. Mandell, why have you

given up? Do you think we should legalize drunk driving because so many people do it anyway, and you and I would never do it even if it were legal? Most drunk drivers do not kill others, nor get in auto wrecks, yet drunk driving is illegal, and there are no calls for its legalization. Yours is hardly a reason to legalize crack and other drugs.

A better solution might be to use the money tagged for the stealth program, or to aid Israel, Egypt and Brazil, and put it into the fight against drugs. Increase education, interdiction and aid to foreign governments who are also fighting drugs. Also, build more prisons and make the punishment for shipping, selling and using drugs befit the crime. These are the solutions to the drug problem raging on in Washington, America and the world.

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large part of our population to a life of addiction. Children and the poor will suffer in an attempt to help the section of society in which we live. Also, with the drop in price, legalizing all drugs will lead to a rise in the medical costs incurred upon cities, and therefore taxpayers. If more people use "dangerous" drugs, then there will invariably be a rise in the number of accidents, health

One professor's tips on how to make mathematics easier

To many people, mathematics seems to be a difficult subject. One often hears the phrase "I was never good at math" or "math is my worst subject." I even hear such phrases at social gatherings where once a people discover that I teach math at college, they will tell me that they were never good at math. Perhaps they think I must be from outer space to be able to teach math, especially at college.

I talk to many students who are taking math courses from me or someone else and who have difficulty with the courses. I often hear comments like, "I have done all of the problems in the book" or "I am working with a tutor" or "Why am I doing so poorly on my exams?"

I try to explain that it is you, the student, who has to learn the material that is presented to you. A tutor, like your professor, can only assist in your learning process. Working with a tutor is no guarantee of success.

What would guarantee good results? What are good study habits, especially for math? Here are a few bits of advice that might help.

A math book is not something where you could engage in passive reading. In math learning you must do things. You should have a paper and pencil when you read any math book. Take a lot of notes. Reading the examples in your book is not enough. You should actually do those examples yourself as you read them. This would allow you to actually learn the manipulations and intricacies involved in getting from one step to the next, thereby improving your math skills.

It is important to do your home-

work. I often hear people say, "I have done all of the problems in the book." I ask: are you able to do these problems *without* any help? Many students leave their books and notes open when they do the problems and constantly check to see how the other problems were solved. I see this in my classroom when I give a problem and ask the class to solve it. This is fine as an initial technique, but the fact is that eventually you should be able to do the problems on your own, without any help. No books, no notes, nothing. How are you going to do this? First, select a few problems and solve them, perhaps with help

Murli M. Gupta

from your books or notes.

Second, try to solve these same problems on your own with the books closed. When you get stuck at some point, check the previous work to see how you went past that point. Repeat this process until you can do the complete problem without any help whatsoever. Now find a few more problems of similar type and see if you can solve them without any help. Once you are able to do so, you have learned the technique of solving this type of problem. This will build your confidence in your problem-solving skills.

Word problems seem to cause a special sort of fear in many students. In your personal life, you often face situations where you have to decide

what the problem is and how to go about solving it. The word problems are the same. You have to decide what the facts are, how to go about solving the problem and actually doing it. There are four crucial steps.

1. Get the picture (*read*).
2. Decide what to do (*model*).
3. Do it (*solve*).
4. Give the solution (*interpret*).

Read: First, you have to understand what the problem is. Don't start solving the problem until you understand all of it. You must read the given word problem at least twice. Draw pictures and/or make a mental image of what is given and what is unknown.

Model: Assign some symbols to the known and unknown quantities and decide how these symbols are related. Read the given word problem again to write down the relationships between these symbols. This is your mathematical model.

Solve: Once you have a mathematical model of the given problem, use the appropriate techniques to find its solution. Make sure that the solutions are relevant to the physical situation described by the word problem.

Interpret: The last step is to interpret the solutions in terms of the original word problem. Make sure that the units are correctly stated.

A final word. When you need help, go and see your professor. I know that most of my colleagues are (and certainly I am) happy to help their students in any way possible. Good luck.

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Weighting for a room

GW desperately needs to rebuild the free weight room located on the lower level of the Charles E. Smith Center. The extent and quality of the equipment offered, the space allotted to use the machines and the overall operating hours of the Smith Center are, in a word, pathetic. GW students expect better and they deserve better.

Many problems exist with the weight-training facilities. The first and foremost problem is the quality and quantity of the universal machine (that's universal, not universals), the benches, free weights and mirrors. It's very simple: there are plenty of free weights, but they're cheap and constantly break. What happens to when they break? The maintenance crew casts them back together about three months later. Many

weights and benches, notorious as the FWR. The FWR is *pitiful*. It couldn't accommodate Hans and Franz, let alone a serious body builder. The weights need to be moved into a bigger room (preferably with better ventilation). Division one athletics deserve a division one weight room.

A few machines would be a welcome addition. It's the 1990s now, and physical fitness technology is rather advanced. There are stairmasters, back pumpers, neck rotators and trackmasters. There are even computerized digital bikes. The equipment in the free weight room went out of style with the wooden tennis racquet.

Although the "illicit sex in the MC restrooms" may be a legitimate dilemma, the administration and the newly elected GW Student Association needs to focus on issues that concern the students, issues that concern upholding the reputation of this university. Pride and spirit evolve around the unified image of the entire campus, and if students see it as substandard, their attitudes will reflect their feelings.

The students of GW pay \$18,000 a year in tuition. It can't all go towards paying for Thurston Hall fire alarms. Isn't a serviceable weight room part of the package? Perhaps the time has come to contact the newly-appointed United States Physical Fitness Chairman — Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Many students have joined local health spas and nautilus centers out of frustration toward the Smith Center facilities. The membership dues range anywhere from \$150 for three months to \$400 for nine months. The idea that students should have to use weight lifting equipment, beyond the current turbo tuition, is outlandish.

Needless to say, the whole issue has left many people wondering what exactly the \$18,000 includes. It's been said before, but it obviously needs to be said again: The administration needs to stop investing around GW, and start investing in GW.

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Andrew Kirschner

of the mirrors are broken, and instead of being replaced, have been covered up with duck tape. Has the mirror market skyrocketed or something?

There are only two benches. Well, one bench. Nobody's really sure where the other one went. It broke about two months ago. After filing countless requests for repair, it disappeared. Perhaps the Smith Center officials find it easier to throw away damaged equipment than fix it.

There is only one universal system, as well. As a result, a five-man rotation is usually implemented, turning an hour workout into a two-hour period of pointless lingering and meaningless conversation.

The Smith Center has basketball courts, volleyball courts, an olympic-size swimming pool, three squash courts and six racquetball courts — well, seven, but they call one of them a free weight room. For all the athletic teams at this University, and for all the graduates and undergraduates who simply want to work out, there's one small blazing inferno filled with broken mirrors,

Opinion

Ads and movies — a tacky mix

The MGM lion is chewing a Milk Bone. An American Express Card the size of Pensacola is gracing the big screen. Before GW students can blink their collective eye, everything from long-distance telephone service to anti-lock brakes will join these items. Soon everything will be advertised before, during and after one of the life's most stirring and previously unspoiled pleasures — movies.

When historians lament America's lost frontier, they weep over only half the misfortune Americans must endure. Our rolling meadows and timid desert flowers, our babbling brooks and majestic hilltops, have met destruction at the hands of industry, trailer-parks and pet overpopulation. While the Japanese, tornadoes and medical research, respectively, wrestle these issues to resolution, who will champion the greatest injustice of all?

America's fantasy land, the last great haven of the downtrodden, has fallen prey to the ever sweeping,

grasping and pinching hand of commercialism. Hollywood, long thought of as an asylum of depravity and scandal, has sold out entirely. The scent of money has been in the wind for some time. Michael J. Fox swallowing Pepsi at every turn, Cher pumping iron and kicking sand in the faces of beer-bellied men everywhere, Tip O'Neal and Al Haig (while not Hollywood, still guilty of

Rustin Ross

prominence in the Reagan era) trading the traditional view of honest politician for soap salesman — all fuel for the fire of unbridled commercialism.

The fix is in. Steven Spielberg, Woody Allen and John Houston protested madly against colorization, but stand silent as disposable douches grace the screen before their

movie does (Houston is dead, but might be turning in his grave). The seige takes many forms. Rising ticket prices, increased concession costs, advance ticket sales, exclusive showings and credit card acceptance have initiated a revolution in theatre and distributor profits, but they sack and pillage the movie-going public, sucking the life out of movie aficionados everywhere.

I'm not opposed to capitalism or commercialism. A little greed oils the wheels of our market economy and keeps our executive prisons full. It's simply that after a difficult week of stabbing the competition in the back, foreclosing on the elderly and reading the headlines of daily death and destruction, I cringe at thought of good sex, great violence, and art — on the big screen — being contaminated by commercials. Movies, it seems, are more expensive these days, but are cheaper — kind of like GW.

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Hatchet has a lot of learning to do

We've been told again and again that problems exist on GW's campus. Twice a week, students are treated to a sample of those problems, as seen through the eyes of The GW Hatchet's finest. Feb. 26's Hatchet editorial was no different.

Being more than familiar with this newspaper's style of reporting, I know the Hatchet is always looking for a good scoop. When I read the editorial, and the (same issue's) reporting on the Student Association elections, I made sure I looked beyond the typographical errors, to really get a feel for what they were trying to say. What I read was not only sarcastic, but also inconsistent and contradictory.

The Hatchet clearly had a bone to pick. First, the editorial staff "couldn't fathom" why Frank Petramale and Dave Parker were getting endorsements left and right. My response, is why not ask the student groups, after all, don't they represent a majority of students on campus?

Second — when reporting on the JEC forum, the article mentioned all but two senate candidates. When asked why the two were excluded from mention, the reporter said that neither said anything different, newsy or out of the ordinary. To prove the Hatchet wrong, Sallie Stohler ran on the issue of security, or lack of on this campus. The very next day, The Washington Post did a story on the sad state of security on this campus. I assume the issue must have been newsworthy for the Post to have reported on it.

Third — as for the Executive Vice Presidential endorsements, the Hatchet's past words have finally come back to haunt them. The Hatchet has repeatedly editorialized over change and improvement for the Student Association. Dave Parker proved to all student groups offering endorsements,

that he would be an effective leader for next year's senate. From graduate and law students, to international students, to political organizations, Dave Parker proved to be the best candidate. As president of one of the groups who issued an endorsement for Parker — I was impressed by his record. Dave Parker succeeded at getting student representation on administrative committees. Dave has served on the Board of Trustees, and has had experience dealing with administrators. Dave has rewritten GW's student constitution. As I recall, these are all things the Hatchet has editorialized over.

As a student, I would much rather have a EVP who has not only made progress with the administration — without ever having been elected, as

Amy Heir

well as being a political insider who will be a strong force to lead the senate, and in turn, represent the students.

Were members of the Hatchet staff really impressed by the other candidate's fluffy resolutions, which have no means for implementation? In a separate article entitled "Moore thoughts," the idea put forward was to support the candidate, who had the least likely chance of winning. The article makes it seem as if Andrew Hawthorn was the only candidate who could envision life after the polls. I know that cannot possibly be the case, given the fact that the candidates running were as diverse as we've ever seen. I guess its fortunate, however, that we can expect a new book on Marxism to come out of all this.

Moore states that he likes the idea of voting for a real person. Does Moore

mean, as opposed to a fake person, a dead person or a figment of our imagination, or is this Moore's way of trivializing the issue even more? I would think that the Hatchet be able to deflect rhetoric, instead of creating its own.

I was very disappointed by the way in which the Hatchet has handled student issues: recently, a death of a student not only showed a lack of respect for the student and his fraternity, but also for all who knew him. Other examples have included dissecting squabbles between members of the student association, and other student groups.

Some of us who spend time on the fourth floor on a daily basis, take pride in our contributions to student life, as do sororities, fraternities and other groups on campus. When you take upon a cynical view toward candidates and accuse them of being "dangerous" and "wheeling and dealing," I ask that each of you take a big step back, and take a close look at yourselves.

The Hatchet has a lot of learning to do. Not only must you learn to turn your cynicism into professionalism, but you also must learn how to cover your own tracks. For example — do not publicize your thoughts about candidates before you even interview them. It definitely takes way from your credibility. Face it guys, when comparing the Hatchet to other area college newspapers, (Georgetown, Howard are good examples) many would agree that the Hatchet pales in comparison.

I want to congratulate this year's Student Association winners, and urge you to become active and productive participants in next year's senate. To the Hatchet, I say heed your own advice. There's always room for improvement.

Amy Heir is president of the GW College Democrats.

Senioritis is setting in

The official countdown for graduation has begun. People who were thought to be stable are now suffering from what is commonly referred to as "senioritis." Although not fatal, it has been reputed to inflict severe damage. Symptoms ranging from lack of motivation to general stupidity will miraculously clear up on that fateful day called Mother's Day. Until then, "senioritis" must be controlled as best as possible.

In order to accomplish this amazing task, one must be able to recognize senioritis. It generally strikes two major categories of seniors — those hoping to enter graduate school or those jumping right into the work force. Basically, it is safe to assume that all seniors are affected to some degree.

Senioritis seems to begin to rear its ugly head after Winter Break. The early stages affect all seniors in much the same way. Perhaps the reasoning is the ultimate shock of discovering that first semester whizzed on by. You are suddenly bombarded by the discovery that the same thing will happen the second semester. The merry-go-round of time begins to quicken and seniorities' cold hands circle your throat more and more often. The middle of the night nausea begins to seep into daylight hours. Seniors are suddenly forced to justify their existence. Alcohol consumption and late nights are no longer the norm. "Believe it or not" stories of students showing responsibility are being circulated. Maturing, although not yet complete, is definitely underway.

The first group of seniors — those that are going on to grad school — are now speaking "Kaplanite" or "Princetonese." They are seen swarming all over campus as their panic permeates the air. This, as part of one of these swarms, is totally understandable, for we must take the marathon tests from hell. Number two pencils and Scantron sheets loom everywhere. I would contemplate various ways of committing suicide should I score below the national average.

If seniors survive this, many new and wonderful obstacles are faced, including essays, applications and other surprisingly fun things. Who does not enjoy spending hours trying to explain how you have grown since those awfully unrepresentative freshman year grades?

Of course, all of this pain is not without purpose. It serves to help train you for the wonderfully tense-free time of mailbox waiting. When this starts, a strange ritual occurs. Envelopes materialize into three-headed monsters who are ready to devour you. I hear Twilight Zone music and await Freddy Kruger's arrival. Nothing more tortuous exists.

Luckily, all of this ends around March when you are accepted or rejected. The "I just have to graduate so what do my grades matter?" attitude is now full blown. This is also known as acute senioritis. It is very offensive to

the other group of seniors, those entering the work force. My beloved roommate is a member of this breed and she assures me that her pain is as great, if not worse, than mine.

Senioritis starts harmlessly with those who are going to enter the real world. Sunday newspapers have become a permanent fixture in our apartment. Letter-pleading for interviews are sent out. Resumes are delicately constructed, much like the grad school essays. All of this causes some anxiety, but the breaking point seems to occur around interview time.

Careerfests are sought after desperately. As job opportunities seem to become increasingly rare, one's very self-worth is questioned. It is heart-breaking to arrive at the realization that parental support will cease on Mother's Day, and becoming a professional sunbather just is not going to pay those annoying bills.

Torture includes those nasty, yet much sought-after, interviews. This stage of senioritis is easily recognized because the Champions sweat shirts are now being replaced by the constraining but ever so respectable suits. The breath mints and cologne form a cloud around them. Parents are so proud, while friends are merely flabbergasted. Talk of cover letters (which usually neglect

Julie Lippman

to include grade point average), portfolios and briefcases seem to follow these jobhunters everywhere.

It is not only their outward appearance that has changed, but their very personalities. A prime example concerns the answering machine messages. My roommate has now forbade me from singing, telling jokes and insinuating anything that is remotely sexual in nature on the message, which has now become extremely impersonal and yuppie-like. The ritual that my roommate is now practicing is quite amusing. She jumps, turns green and stutters everytime our telephone rings. Since our apartment can be compared to Grand Central Station, her movements resemble an epileptic fit.

Those of you who are chuckling can obviously relate as you are most probably grad school or real-life work force "hopefullies." Those of you who are not, will eventually be stricken by the "senioritis" syndrome. Seniors, just remember: those people selling umbrellas outside the Foggy Bottom metro stop seem to be making a lot of money. There are always options.

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STAR drops charity talent competition

by Elizabeth Alger
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Student Talent for Advancing Research program has been suspended for the rest of the academic year because of problems coordinating talent competitions with other area universities.

The event was cancelled because of "scheduling problems," said STAR Chair Robin Appelbaum, who originated the idea of using talent shows to raise money for AIDS research.

The first part of the program, a talent competition among GW students, was a success, raising "somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1,000," said Andy Flagel, STAR vice-chair.

However, he added, problems arose during the second stage of the program.

"It was a combination of getting the performers and getting the staff people" at GW and other schools together, Flagel said. "The second portion was not just a GW event, it was a city-wide event, and we had trouble getting everything coordinated."

Attempts to stage a joint competition between students at GW and American University fell through.

"I talked to American University and they were all gung-ho about it," Flagel said, "but they had trouble getting together their first event."

STAR organizers also had a difficult time trying to coordinate an event with

Howard. Flagel said, "Howard had originally gotten some people together (to participate in the event), but the same date that we picked was the night of the Janet Jackson concert and a lot of them had tickets" and backed out of the competition.

"We had hoped we would have about eight universities participating and we were only getting representatives from five," said Maura Collins, an organizer of the talent competitions.

Collins said the Jackson concert conflict caused concern as to whether enough people would show up for the show in order to break even, let alone turn a profit.

"We felt that we wouldn't get enough (people) to make any money and that we would end up losing money," Collins said.

Flagel said he hoped the program would resume next year and said that even though it was not fully carried out, there were some positive achievements.

"I think at least the GW talent show was a great event," he said. "I think it was a fantastic program. . . Just the GW talent show alone was a really great program, both for the fact that it raised money for AIDS research and also because a GW talent show isn't such a bad idea. We have an awful lot of talented students."



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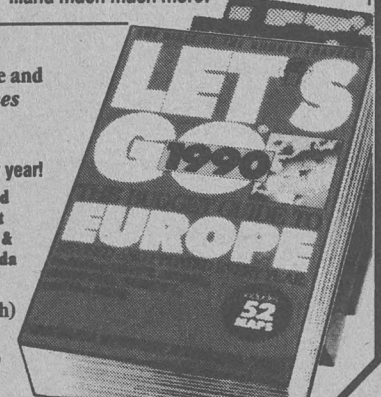
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who are insured by the Group Health Association have the option use them as their carrier, but no new employees can sign up. The University offers part-time employees \$56.58 per month towards health coverage.

Bortz said by reducing to two carriers — BC/BS and the GW Health Plan (offered from GW Hospital) — the University could essentially buy insurance "wholesale" since they were purchasing such large amounts. He added that fewer carriers lead to a slight decrease in administrative costs.

BC/BS Indemnity, a comprehensive medical plan, requires individuals to pay \$48.35 a month on top of the University's contribution for an individual, and \$257.91 for families. Program highlights include a \$250 deductible for

individuals, and a \$750 cap for three members of a family. Once over the deductibles, those insured receive full coverage, with some exceptions. BC/BS Indemnity also allows carriers to receive generic drugs for \$3 a prescription, \$5 for brand-names.

BC/BS PPO has a \$750 deductible for an individual, \$2,250 for three members of a family. The plan is free for individuals and \$98.30 per month for families.

As for HMOs, BC/Capital Care is \$33.05 a month for individuals and \$258.53 for families. The GW Health

Plan Standard Option for individuals is \$4.55 per month, while families are \$174.01. The GW Health Plan High Option runs individuals \$21.90 per month, and families \$216.75.

For those currently using GHA, the Standard option will cost \$7.40 a month for individuals, \$194.35 for families, while the High plan runs an individual \$23.65 per month and \$235.35 for families.

Also included in the benefits package is a flexible spending accounts program. Here, employees can set aside money

from their paychecks on a pre-tax basis to spend on eligible health care and dependent care expenses. According to Bortz, this plan will allow those with uninsured expenses to save money by using non-taxed pay to cover costs. Custom Benefit Services, a division of BC/BS, will administer the program, whose costs will be covered by the University.

Bortz said the rates for the health plans will stay the same for 15 months. Those currently enrolled in the GW Health Plan High Option, BC/BS Capital Care or GHA will automatically be enrolled in their current plans if no requests for change are made. Individuals who are currently in any of the

BC/BS plans, TIAA Major Medical, Kaiser Permanente, Health Plus or MD-IPA will automatically receive BC/BS PPO if they do not request a change, and will not be able to switch until the next open enrollment period, sometime next year. Those who desire family coverage must complete an enrollment form in order to cover families.

Statistics Professor Arthur Kirsch, chairman of the Faculty Senate Appointment, Salary and Promotion Policies Committee, was satisfied with the chosen options. "This plan I am convinced . . . (is) the best plan on the whole," he said.

The largest amount of faculty dissent, he added, came from those in existing plans that were not continued.

"The big legitimate concern was the people in the smaller HMOs that disbanded that had personal relationships with doctors that they had to give up," he said. Kirsch added that Clifford was very helpful in working with employees who asked to continue with carriers for limited periods of time, such as women who are in the middle of pregnancies and want to continue with their present doctor.

Information about the health plans is available March 6 and 7 in the Marvin Center Third Floor Ballroom from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on March 14 and 15 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Information will also be available in the GW Hospital's Special Functions Dining Room on March 8 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., and March 13 from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. The enrollment deadline is March 21, and more information is available in the Records and Benefits Division, 994-4480.

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GW offers courses on international PR

by Suzy Carabelli

Hatchet Staff Writer

GW's Study Abroad Program is offering two new public relations courses this summer which allow participants to spend six weeks traveling throughout Europe, witnessing international public relations firsthand.

The new courses — Public Relations/Public Diplomacy and Issues Management-Europe Senior Seminar — are "unique," said GW Summer Sessions Director Donna Scarboro, "because their format has been expanded so students can be apart of new and one-of-a-kind conferences."

Students in the public relations course will visit major European media organizations and hear special presentations at the headquarters of NATO and the European Economic Community in Brussels.

According to Scarboro, GW is one of the first colleges in the United States to offer such a program, and it is one of the first public relations courses taught in Berlin.

"This is the first time that students anywhere will be able to sit in on these conferences," she added.

The Public Relations/Public Diplomacy course description states it is "a

course planned to broaden student's understanding of international public relations."

Students will have the opportunity to confer with many individuals and institutions presently conducting European and national public relations programs and public diplomacy activities.

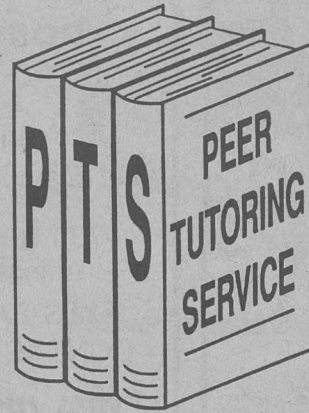
The other course is a senior seminar in communications, international affairs and journalism.

Students will travel through Berlin, Brussels, Strasbourg, Paris and London between May 31 and July 16. John M. Reed, an international public relations expert and GW professor, will be leading the courses abroad.

In addition to the new programs, Scarboro encourages students to look into summer courses in the district.

"There's so much to do in Washington over the summer," she said. "Students really ought to look into classes here. There are a lot of new classes and programs, and summers in Washington are a great experience."

Scarboro said students should sign up for the summer courses soon because there are size limitations, and acceptances are on first-come, first-serve basis. More information will be available after spring break.



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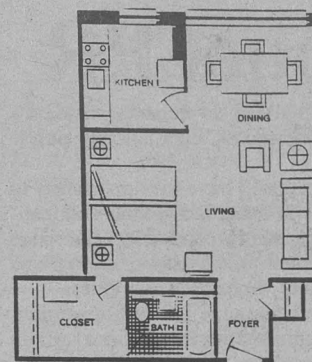
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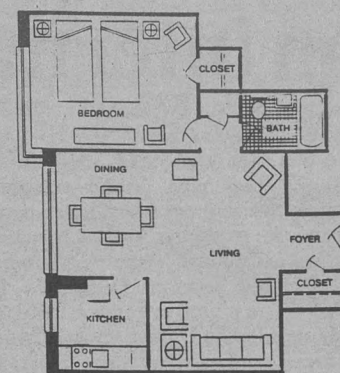
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"Naturally we're going to do our best to see that the residents are cared for and represented," Speron said.

Webster said she hopes the Virginian attracts a high student demand, noting if the rooms are not filled, she may place transfer students in the open spaces.

Speron predicted that more students will choose to live in the Virginian the year after next.

"The lottery will become more competitive once students realize what they have over there," he said.

Approximately 150 students visited the Virginian at 1500 Arlington Blvd. during an open house Saturday, Speron said, adding, "There's a lot of people who are really interested."

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ACLU lawyer bashes 'conservative' media

by Jill Bebar
Hatchet Staff Writer

The director of Fairness and Accuracy In Reporting posed questions such as "do you believe everything you read in the newspapers?" and "who really controls what we read?" to about 35 people Thursday in Fonger Hall.

Sponsored by the GW Progressive Student Union and the GW Program Board, FAIR Executive Director Jeff Cohen, a former American Civil Liberties Union lawyer, spoke on the ownership of the news media, saying the press and media are becoming more concentrated in the 30 top corporations of the United States.

He said the media is no longer a "neutral entity," but rather the "conservative, corporate elite."

He argued that the media "... doesn't have the diversity found in Western European broadcasting," citing examples from a recent study done by FAIR that showed 92 percent of the guests on ABC's "Nightline" were male, and 87 percent were white.

He said talk shows such as PBS's "The John McLaughlin Show," "The McNeil/Lehrer News Hour" and "Wall Street Week" are subsidized by corporations including Pepsi, General Electric and AT&T. He said these corporations also tend to be major contributors to government-funded and assorted nuclear defense projects, and because of their ties to the government, the shows no longer include guests who do not support the government.

Cohen said television reflects a limited number of views and the media is "turning into state television like Russia had during the time of Brezhnev."

Cohen criticized the coverage of Central America by The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post and The New York Times, saying the newspapers are "captives of the state" and no longer "independent documentaries."

He said the reporting of the recent Panamanian incident was a "classic example of the marriage between state and media," adding that his slogan for FAIR is, "Two-four-six-eight, separate press and state."

He said millions of Americans were "censored" because the only articles written in both The New York Times and The Washington Post on Central America were controlled by government supporters. Two-thirds of America did not support the Contras, he said, but they were never given a chance to speak.

Cohen also commented on what he called the myth of "objective journalism," posing the question to the audience, "Where is it?"

He said by today's standards, if anything in the print media is followed by the words "White House sources said today," it is considered acceptable. He argued against the "bias selection of sources," and asked why critics of the U.S. government are never interviewed in the media, adding, "Being objective does not necessarily mean fair and accurate."

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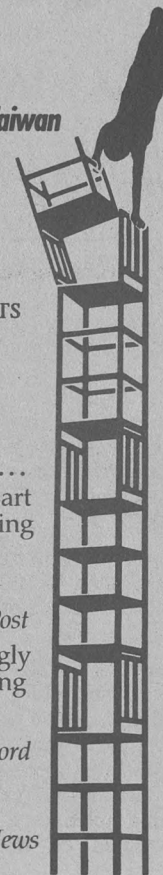
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CAPITOL CLASS

Getting into the right gear for Spring — bike!

Big city wheeling: avoiding the rip-off

by Karen Kingen

In a stunned silence, I gape at the sign post where I last saw my beloved bicycle.

My disbelief mounts to hysteria. On a busy street corner, in broad daylight, even with a solid-steel, U-shaped lock, someone stole my bike — again. This is the second one in five months and I am sick of it.

I am not alone, however. According to the D.C. Metropolitan Police, 15,000 bicycles were stolen in the District of Columbia in the past 12 months.

Police and insurance companies alike are finding two alarming trends in bicycle theft: U-shaped locks, such as Kryptonite, Master and Citadel, can be broken with an open-ended steel pipe in less than five seconds; and much more expensive bikes are being stolen, especially the popular "mountain" or "all-terrain" bikes.

Pipes used in these crimes range in length from 18 to 24 inches and weigh three to six pounds. They are slipped into the key-slot area of the locks and with leverage and pressure the lock simply "pops" open. Within 10 seconds the thief is on the bike and gone.

"It's even worse than when thieves walked around with bolt cutters and cut chain locks," said University Police Inspector J.D. Harwell. "This crime is faster and harder to detect."

Areas on campus with the most reported losses are the National Law

Center and the Academic Center (railing predominantly), with the Smith Center, Fonger Hall and the 21st Street side of the Marvin Center trailing closely behind.

Police believe the bikes are dismantled, reassembled with parts from other stolen bikes and sold for fast cash.

What can you do?

From personal experience, I find that renters or homeowners insurance is your best bet. The deductible is around \$300, but if you have an expensive bike, it is well worth it.

Police report that a steel "sleeve" is most successful in reinforcing U-shaped locks and preventing thefts. The sleeve

seat and/or the wheels (yes, both if possible) to deter thieves. He also said leaving the key-slot portion of the lock facing downward thwarts attempts to leverage the lock.

Now what about the manufacturer's guarantee? Most manufacturers of U-shaped locks offer a *limited* guarantee. In order to qualify you must send a copy

purchase.

Your bike is now insured for up to \$1,000 for up to one year — by the company. So what's the catch? Read on.

If your bicycle is stolen, you must notify the company within 72 hours — no problem. You must send a copy of the policy report — no problem. You

What to do if it happens to you

If your bike is stolen, get angry. After that, collect all the information you can to help the police recover your bicycle. This includes: make, model, age, color, size, cost and especially the serial number, your proof of ownership in case your bicycle is recovered.

Report the theft to the police. On a college campus, contact both the university and metropolitan police. The metropolitan police will issue a case report to be used for both insurance and recovery purposes.

Call your insurance company and file a claim.

Cash in on the lock company's guarantee, if possible.

Finally, four times a year the metropolitan police auction off unclaimed stolen merchandise they recover. Auction notices are posted in the classified section of the newspaper. Your case number will admit you and you may find your bike, in whatever condition, waiting for you at the police station.

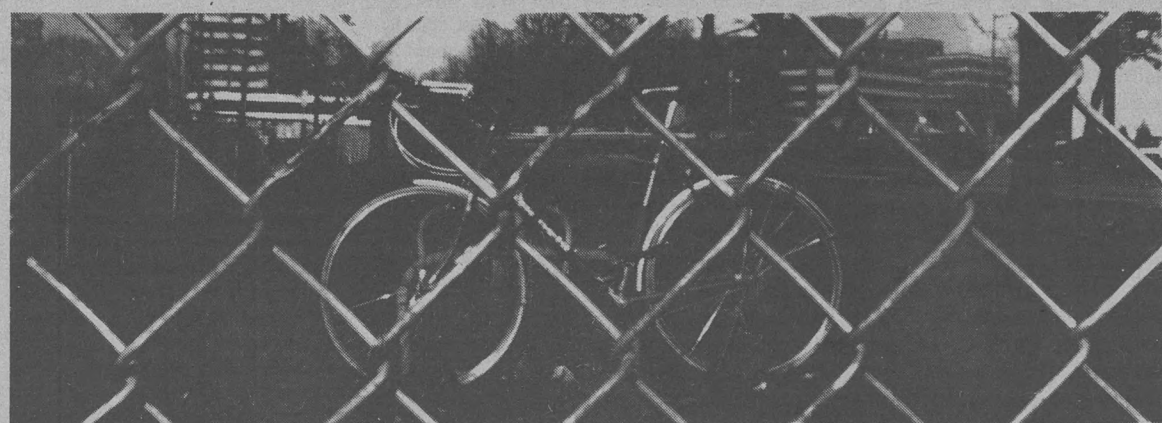
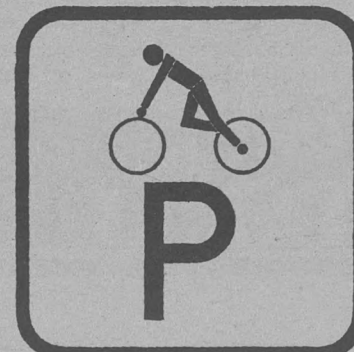
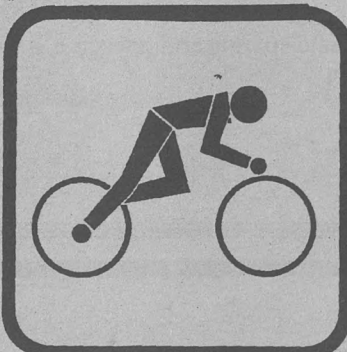


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Bikes are a hot commodity on and off college campuses.



fits over the junction of the lock and prevents thieves from gaining the leverage to "pop" the lock. You can pick up a sleeve at most bicycle stores for less than \$10.

A technician from Metropolis Bikes on Capitol Hill suggests removing the

of the bicycle bill of sale, a copy of the lock bill of sale, have the bike registered with a local or national bike registration program (a must in any case) and complete the lock registration form. Send it all to the company by certified mail within 10 days of the lock

must send your two keys *and* your broken lock back to the company. Uh-oh. There's a problem.

Whenever my bicycle is stolen, nothing is left behind but bittersweet memories. Hence, for me, this guarantee is useless.

Biking around D.C. and beyond

by Karen Kingen

The wind in my hair, a breeze at my back — my senses are besieged with smells and sights and sounds. I've left the world behind. I'm on my bike . . .

The Washington area provides a wonderland for avid cyclists or weekend enthusiasts, with trails leading as far away as Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, and as close to home as the Washington Monument. Trails are designed to facilitate commuters, athletes and leisure-time riders.

To optimize your Washington bicycling experiences, I recommend purchasing a copy of the *Bicycle Atlas of the Greater Washington Area*. It contains useful information on bicycle styles, maintenance and local cycling groups, in addition to extensive trail maps and trail information. Most area book stores or bicycle stores carry it for \$9.95.

At 4,000 members strong, America's largest cycling group, the Potomac Peddlers Touring Group, is right here in the nation's capital. PPTG sponsors rides weekly throughout the year and daily in the late spring to early fall months. Call them at 363-TOUR to get involved.

Several smaller recreational bicycling groups also organize frequent outings. Check

the Weekend sections of The Washington Times and The Washington Post, or ask at your local bicycle shop for listings of organized rides.

Interested in a more challenging trip? Bicycle vacations are available from one week to three months, with overnight accommodations ranging from tents or hostels to quaint country inns.

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All riders on AYH trips carry their own gear, plus a portion of the group's food and

equipment. Sleeping accommodations are provided in tents or AYH hostels along the route.

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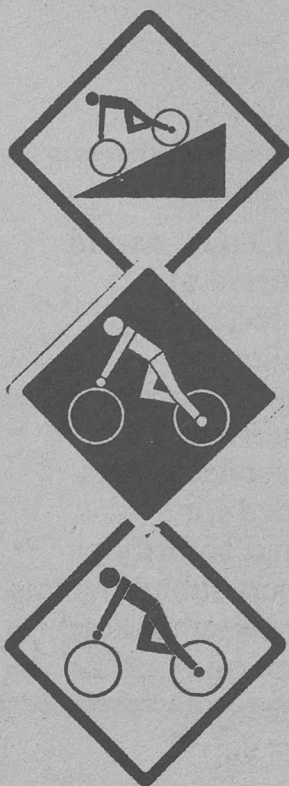
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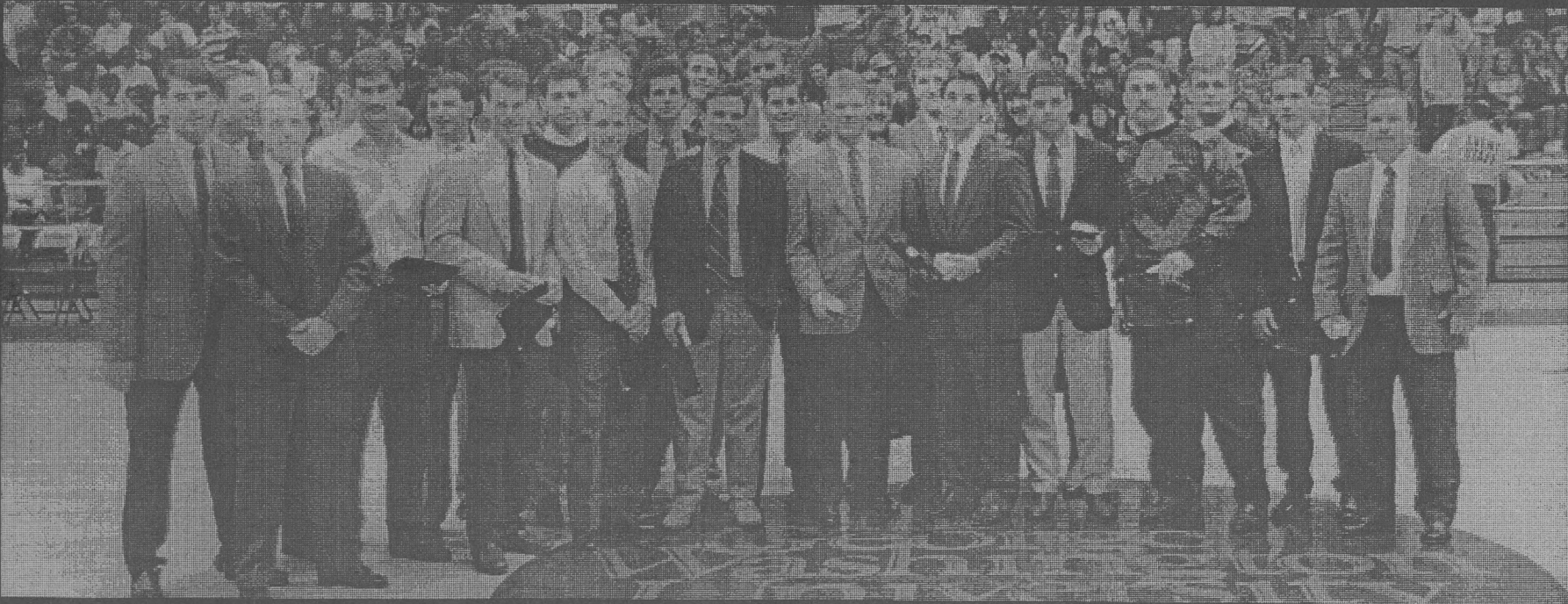
Four Seasons Cycling offers the same trip categories, in approximately the same price-ranges, with routes in California, Colorado and most Eastern seaboard states.

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COLONIAL BASEBALL 1990



The 1989 Atlantic 10 Conference champions receive their championship rings at the Smith Center.

photo by Greg Heller

Defending the A-10 Crown

GW tries to repeat winning year

by David Weber

For the first time in a decade, the GW baseball team is the defending Atlantic 10 Conference champions. That changes things for GW head coach John Castleberry and the Colonials.

"I think there is (more pressure)," Castleberry said.

"It used to be that if you played George Washington (the thinking was), 'They're a good club, you just have to be ready.'

"Now that we're champions, we go down to (North) Carolina and face their number one, two and three pitchers. At N.C. State we faced their number two pitcher. James Madison, we faced their number one. We faced Georgetown's number one.

"I think we're going to get into that

climate where we're going to start facing everyone's number one, two and three pitcher. We have to be ready for that," Castleberry added.

The Colonials have not appeared to be ready, losing their first four games as they are presently 2-8.

"It seems right now anything that's happened to us, has happened to us," Castleberry said. "We're getting off to our usual slow start which bothers me a little bit."

Starting slow is nothing new to the Colonials. Last year they began 3-10 and in 1988, 7-11, yet both seasons finished with 30 wins.

"It's kind of frustrating. We're hitting the ball hard — it just goes right at people. We left 10 guys on base, eight guys on base — we just can't do that.

"With time we're going to be alright.

We're catching the ball better and we're pitching good. Hopefully we'll be in good shape and be in a situation where we'll put it all together — and we will.

"The thing that bothered me the most is that we made 11 errors in the first three games," he added.

A new field at 25th and M streets, that would have replaced RFK Auxiliary Field, was not ready at the suspected date of March 1, 1990. Castleberry is still hoping for the new diamond in the fall.

"Everything is on schedule as far as the fall," he said. "We do need the facilities to upgrade our program. I think that's one of the reasons we get off to slow starts. We just don't have adequate facilities to train our players and the only way we get ready is to playing in games, and unfortunately that gets us in a hole.

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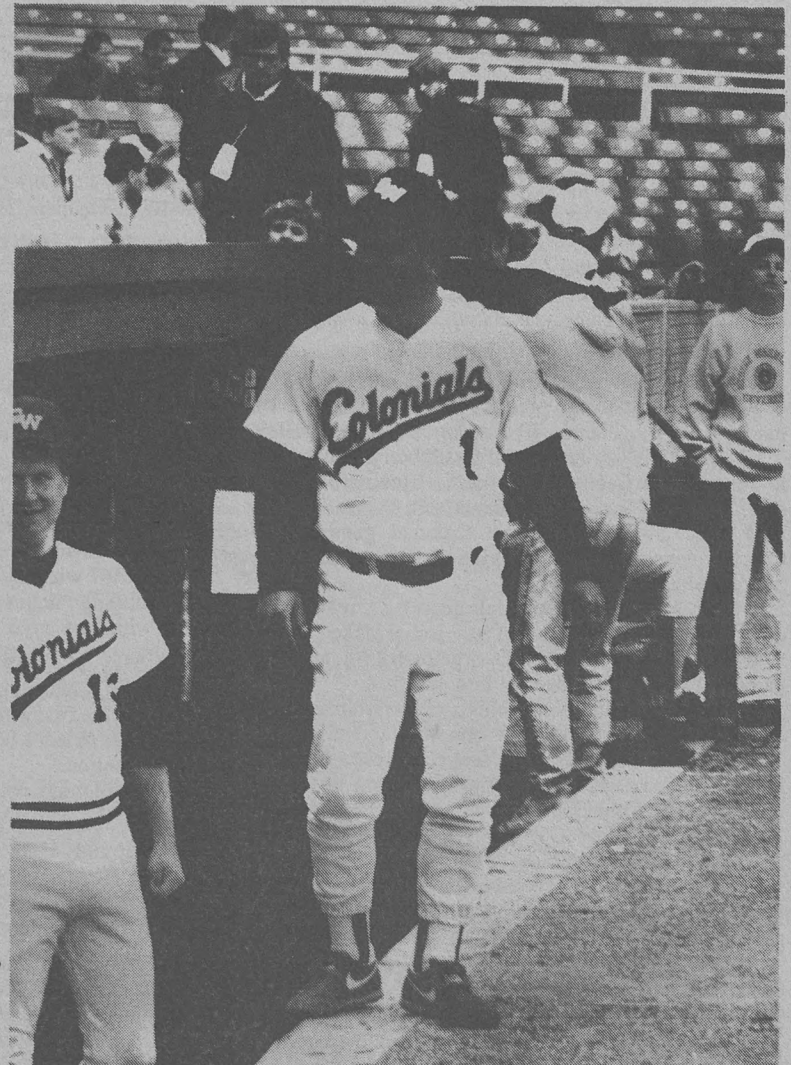


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"It's not fair to the program because we have the ability to do a lot better than where we are."

"I hope that we can play a lot more home game (so) we're not on the road so much," he said.

Only 41 percent of the 1990 schedule is played at home. Last year, just 40 percent of GW's regular season games were at RFK.

Castleberry wants to schedule about 35 home games a year — the Colonials have played 19 and 25 home contests the last two seasons — and bring in same "name" schools. However, Castleberry adamantly points out that GW is also a "name" school.

Helping GW win a second consecutive A-10 title and return to the NCAA tournament will be 14 new Colonials — 10 freshmen and four transfers — trying to replace six departed starters.

Castleberry admits that there is a problem working the new players into the

team. "What concerns me is that mentally we're rebuilding a bit as far as chemistry goes," he said.

Gone are two-time team MVP catcher Joe Ross, third baseman Bob Kennedy, shortstop Tom Williams and outfielders Gavin Hulsman, Mike Rolfes, Frank Terry and John Glenn.

Behind the plate, the Colonials have to choose between three sophomores to replace Ross, who led GW with a .366 batting average and 32 RBI. Incumbents Dave Fletcher and John Treiber will have to share time with Will Ferguson, a transfer from Clemson.

"Behind the plate everyone thinks about Joe Ross and says, 'God how are you going to pick up behind him?'" Castleberry noted. "We got some great catchers. Dave Fletcher's been hurt. He pulled a hamstring a week before we opened and that is really hurt us offensively."

"(But) William Ferguson has stepped in and just done a great job. (He) threw out four or five runners the other day. Then, yesterday in the second inning play at the plate, he gets banged, he's got a concussion."

"When your snake-bitten, those kinds of things happen," Castleberry added.

Second baseman Greg Orlosky is the only returnee in the infield. Replacing Williams at shortstop will be sophomore Darrin Rentch, who was redshirted last year after injuring his right (throwing) shoulder. Freshman Brian Jenkins will relieve Rentch.

At the hot corner, junior Pat Takitch, a transfer from Allegany Community College, will take over third base from the departed Kennedy, who left GW, according to Castleberry, because he missed his hometown environment of San Diego. According to Castleberry, Takitch is "starting to swing the pole real well."

Sophomore Mike Welch — last year's first baseman — will move to the outfield in 1990, and was to be replaced by junior Frank Terry. But Terry, who was also expected to play in the outfield and at DH, left school after the Fall semester.

"We're going to miss him a little bit as far as (depth at) first base, DH and the outfield," Castleberry said. "It hurts us as far as depth." George Baker will take over at first.

"In the outfield, as much as we lost, the only two guys who made an effect are Mike Rolfes and Gavin Hulsman, two senior captains," Castleberry said.

With almost the entire 1989 outfield of Rolfes, Hulsman, Terry and Glenn gone, Castleberry is forced to rebuild, starting with Welch in center field, senior Scott Jason in right and junior Ken LaVan in left.

"He might be the best player we had in a long time playing there," Castleberry said of Welch. "He can do so many things for us."

LaVan — who led the 1989 Colonials with a .468 on base percentage, and leads returnees in batting average (.360) and stolen bases (18) — was a spark for GW

"I feel that this team is better. I really do. I think our pitching is 100 percent better."

-John Castleberry, comparing the 1990 Colonials to last year's team.

in the A-10 tournament, according to Castleberry.

He has been slowed by a pulled hamstring, though, so freshman Alan Browning has seen a lot of unexpected play.

Castleberry is looking for his pitching to carry him in 1990.

"You always want to build your team around pitching," he said. "Hittings always going to be up and down, but pitching and defense always stays the same."

The 1990 staff may be better than last year's.

"We got everybody back," Castleberry said. "The only guy that really effects us is Mike Rolfes, as far as the one guy who had saves and was a stopper."

Rolfes is the biggest loss for the Colonials on the mound. Now in the Atlanta Braves organization, Rolfes led GW with a 3.40 ERA, a 8-3 record and five saves in 20 games. But the Colonial starters are still strong with juniors Paul Fischer and Gino Goldfarb and seniors Bill Arnold and Clay Aldrich.

Castleberry looks to Welch for short relief. The lefthander was 0-3 with a save and a 7.29 ERA last year.

Depth will be provided by senior Mark Eyer and junior Don Novak, from

Cuyahoga Community College, and freshmen hurlers Rich Rosenberger and Bill Anderson, who have already seen time on the mound for GW.

"I think our pitching is 100 percent better," Castleberry predicted.

When asked if the Colonials may try too hard or not hard enough, Castleberry said, "We try to prepare our guys to think that when they step onto that field, you just can't step on that field, and that's the end of it."

"Because we're Atlantic 10 champs, does not make you automatic winners. You have to play the game for nine innings."

"We're pressing at the plate a lot. That has a lot to do with why we're leaving 10 guys on base. You get into that situation and you a tendency to tense up," he said.

Castleberry, in his sixth year as GW head coach, sees the 1990 Colonials as a better than the 1989 squad, who tied a GW record for most wins in a season.

Last year Castleberry fell 10 victories short of his predicted 40 wins and an A-10 title. This season, he predicts the Colonials will win about 35 to 40 games and win the conference title again.

"I think," Castleberry said, "I feel, as a coach that this team is better. I really do."

John Castleberry's Coaching Record

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| 1985..... | 18 - 20 - 2 |
| 1986..... | 28 - 13 - 1 |
| 1987..... | 19 - 25 - 0 |
| 1988..... | 30 - 26 - 1 |
| 1989..... | 30 - 24 - 0 |
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1989: A YEAR IN REVIEW

Rain-outs, losses, wins and titles

by David Weber

Looking back can be as much fun as looking ahead. Here, therefore, is a glance back at the GW baseball team's 1989 season, where they won the Atlantic 10 Conference championship and went to the NCAA tournament.

● **Feb. 16, 1989** After finishing 30-26-1 in 1988, GW head coach John Castleberry predicts the Colonials will win 40 games and an Atlantic 10 Conference title in 1989.

GW will fall 10 wins short of Castleberry's goal, but more importantly, the Colonials win the A-10 tournament and go to the College World Series playoffs.

● **Feb. 24-26, 1989** Five Colonial games in North Carolina were cancelled, delaying the start of the GW baseball season.

● **Mar. 1, 1989** The Colonials pounded Catholic, 10-0, in their first game of the season. Paul Fischer picked up the win.

● **Mar. 2, 1989** GW beat Georgetown 19-4, as four more games are cancelled due to bad weather.

● **Mar. 19, 1989** The Colonials return from a nine-game Southern road trip with just one win and eight losses.

● **Mar. 25, 26, 1989** In its first conference games of the season, GW sweeps two double headers on the road from A-10 foe St. Bonaventure.

● **Mar. 31, 1989** GW beats Catholic, 9-2, starting a 12-game winning streak.

● **Apr. 8, 9, 1989** GW sweeps two more A-10 double headers, beating Duquesne at home by an average of six runs per contest.

● **Apr. 15, 16, 1989** Though their 12-game winning streak ends, the Colonials take three of four from West Virginia, putting GW in first place in the A-10 West at 11-1.

● **May 8, 1989** The Colonials sweep a doubleheader on the road from Penn State, giving GW the A-10 West title.

● **May 12, 1989** The Colonials lose in the first game of the A-10 tournament to Temple, 1-0.

● **May 13, 1989** GW beats Penn State and Rutgers in the A-10 tourney.

● **May 14, 1989** GW beats Temple 3-2 on a ninth-inning, two-run homer by Greg Orlosky, forcing a final game with the Owls.

With one out in the bottom of the eighth inning and GW leading Temple 9-5, the second game of the day is postponed a day because of rain.

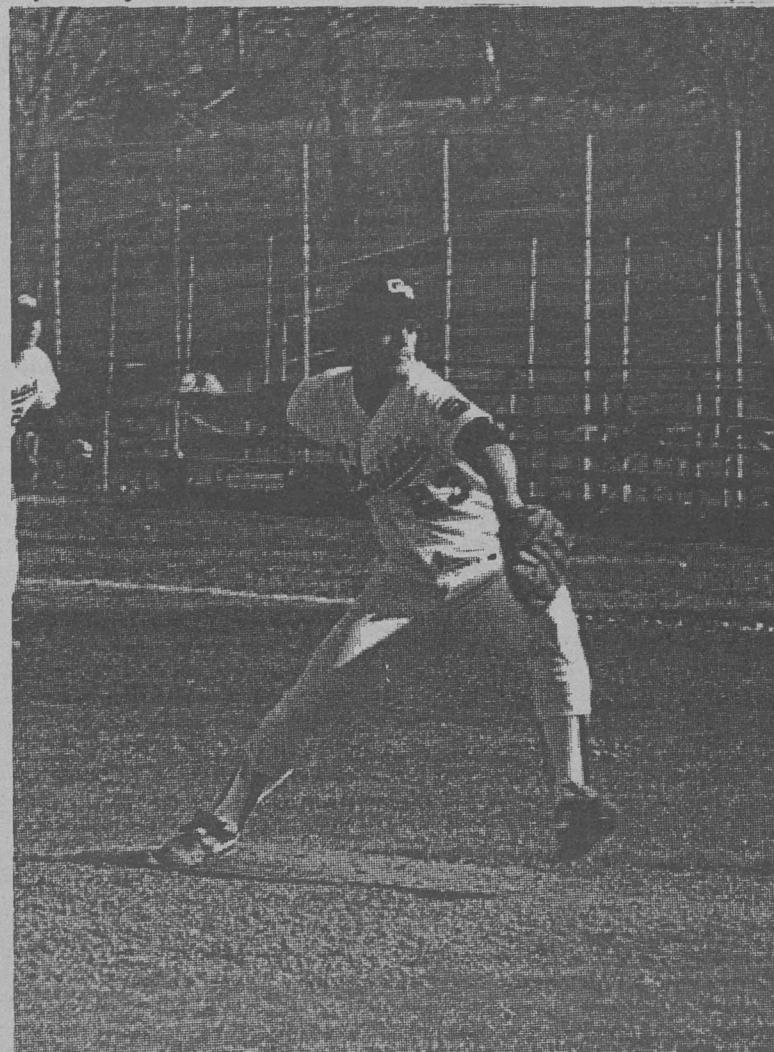
● **May 15, 1989** GW wins the A-10 tournament 9-8 — its first in a decade — giving the Colonials an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. GW sophomore Frank Terry was named Co-Most Valuable Player of the tournament after bating .467 with seven RBI. GW's Mike Rolfes was named Outstanding Pitcher of the Tournament. The left-hander was 2-0 with one save and eight strikeouts in 13.1 innings.

● **May 25, 1989** The Colonials are seeded fifth in the Northeast Regional of the NCAA Tournament at Waterbury, Conn. In the first game of the double elimination tournament GW plays Arizona State — ranked second in the region, fifth in the nation.

The Colonials collect only four hits as they are blanked, 5-0, by the Sun Devils.

● **May 26, 1989** In the second game, GW played 10th-ranked Arkansas, because the Razorbacks were upset by LeMoyne. Arkansas downed the Colonials, 7-2, eliminating them from the tournament.

Within a month, senior Joe Ross signs with the New York Yankees and fellow graduate Mike Rolfes goes with the Atlanta Braves. Ross is assigned to Class A Oneonta (N.Y.) of the New York Penn League while Rolfes is assigned to the Bradenton, Fla., of the Gulf Coast Rookie League.



Paul Fischer will be an important starter for GW.

photo by Greg Heller

COLONIAL BASEBALL 1990

Orlosky predicts A-10 championship for Colonials

Infielder one of three returning starters

by Yosefi Seltzer

GW junior Greg Orlosky, the starting second baseman for the Atlantic 10 Conference champions, sees a repeat of last year's performance for the 1990 Colonials.

"Don't use our record (currently 2-8) to measure the team," Orlosky said. "We can hammer people and (we) will. We need to get that confidence we had last year in hitting and fielding... we'll be a team to be reckoned with."

"I can see us winning the A-10 if we get the ball rolling. We can win 30 to 35 games... we have really good pitching and good hitting but need to get it together," he added.

As a freshman, Orlosky batted .304 while bouncing around the infield, playing mostly third base. Last year, he moved to second full-time, but his batting average dropped to .224.

Orlosky attributed the slide to mental intimidation.

"Last year, I had a terrible start of 2-for-39," he said. "I just need to decide I want to hit the ball. I've been putting more pressure on myself and it got worse and worse as the (last) season went along... it's self intimidation."

But Orlosky contributed in other ways. His stolen bases jumped from 3 in 1988 to 11 in 1989.

"I'm one of the guys that has the green light to steal," Orlosky said. "I'm one of the better baserunners on the team... although I don't have great

speed, I make up for it by being a smart baserunner."

He also hit 13 doubles in 1989 and seven in 1988, while his homers went from zero to two, including a ninth-inning game-winner in the A-10 tournament against Temple which kept the Colonials alive.

Both second and third are familiar places to Orlosky as he played both positions in high school.

"What (GW head coach John Castleberry) thinks is best for the team, is what is best for me."

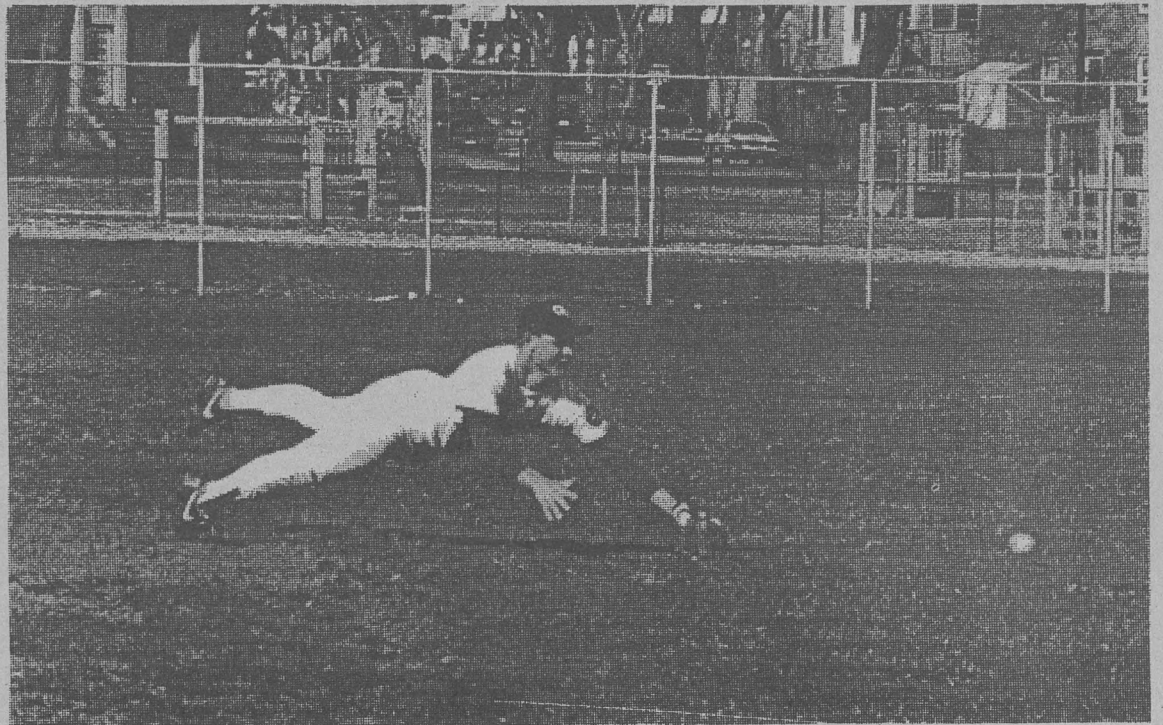
"He's coached a lot of games and seen a lot of players... he knows what it takes to win," Orlosky said. "He has tremendous knowledge of the game, the problem is we don't always listen."

"He's thinking ahead at all times. If he makes a move in the seventh inning, he has already thought about what it will mean later on. He's definitely done his homework."

"He's scouted us well and knows our potential... we aren't there yet, but will be soon," Orlosky added.

The success of the 1990 GW baseball team will hinge on whether Orlosky and the remaining upperclassmen can pick up the slack for the loss of seven pivotal seniors. Orlosky said the graduates will be missed not only for their numbers.

"People need to remember that we only have three returning starters. We lost six seniors who contributed more off the field," he said. "Obviously their batting averages were in high demand



Greg Orlosky misses the ball but not for lack of effort.

photo by Greg Heller

and helpful, but their attitudes helped bring out the best in the younger players."

Orlosky is currently playing a leadership role on the field, partly by batting in the leadoff spot the past few games.

"Last year I was a role player for defensive purposes. I try and lead by example... sometimes I'm too vocal, but I try and take an infield role since the co-captain is a catcher who's involved with the pitchers more than the

infielders.

"I let them (infielders) know what is expected of them by coach," he noted. Orlosky helped turn 39 double plays and had a .976 fielding percentage in 1989.

He said it will take time for GW to integrate 14 new Colonials. "I would call this a rebuilding year to gain that same chemistry back," he said.

But the Colonials' unity will make the process smoother, according to Orlosky.

"The team is like a fraternity in itself. When you spend three or four days with some guys and four or five hours a day — six days a week — you get to know them pretty well," he said.

As far as his future, "I'm undecided," Orlosky said. "I've seen some good players come through here and hang up the spikes after graduating. I would like the opportunity to play in the majors, but I haven't decided about any job right now."



Mike Welch hit five homers last year.

photo by Greg Heller

Welch aims for a .350 average; sophomore's bat, arm are vital

by Holger Stolzenberg

The GW baseball team has great expectations for sophomore Mike Welch, the only starting freshman for the 1989 Atlantic 10 Conference champions, who is looked upon as a team leader.

The 6-0, 195 lbs. left-hander has changed positions this year from first base to center field. "It was a decision that both (GW head coach John Castleberry) and I made together," Welch said. "I would rather play the outfield, because it's more fun, and you have to stay in the game at all times, while first base is not that exciting."

Last season, Welch set a GW single-season record of 323 putouts, "which is not that big of a deal," he said. "First base, all you do is catch the ball."

Welch was also fourth on the team in fielding percentage at .977.

Speed is the reason Welch has moved to center, who was perfect on the basepaths last season, stealing six bases in six attempts. "I usually try and steal to get things going, but I always am allowed to steal," he said. "It also depends on how good the team is that we are playing," he said.

Offensively, Welch considers himself to be one of the top three batters on the team. Last year, Welch was third in RBI's (30) and tied for third in home-runs (4) — high for returning Colonials.

"The (RFK Auxiliary) field is made so that it is very hard for a left-handed hitter to hit a home-run (because there is no realistic right-field fence). Of my four, I only hit one here, and it was an inside the park home run," Welch said.

His one major weak point was his batting average, just .233. "I had some trouble adjusting last year (from high school to college)," Welch said, "but in the second half of the season, I began to get more singles and RBI's."

Welch has challenged himself to bat .350 this year, which he considers a difficult goal, but said he also feels it is his job as a team leader to set such marks for himself.

Welch will be moved from the fifth slot in the batting order to the third, which is what he prefers. He said batting fifth is only an RBI spot, while the third place in the batting order is where he likes to get things going.

After the '89 season, Welch hit .290 with 4 homers and 22 RBI at Columbus, Ohio of the Great Lakes League. There, he finished in the top 10 of six offensive categories. "The summer league gave me a lot of confidence, because the entire league was made up of the best college players," Welch said.

The Colonials rely on not only Welch's outfield play and hitting, but also his skills as a relief pitcher. The situation is similar to last year, when Mike Rolfes — now playing in the Atlanta Braves organization — came in from center field to save a team-high five games for GW.

Welch would rather start, but is satisfied with relieving. He had an unimpressive year in 1989 (0-3, one save, 7.29 ERA), but believes he will become better with time.

"I only pitched 21 innings last year which is hardly anything, but I am not very concerned about my pitching," he said.

Welch said the team has a much better chemistry this year. "We have a lot of strong points, but I think that with the improvement of our pitching, our chances are 10 times better to win the Atlantic-10 and improve in the regionals." In 1989, GW was ousted from the double-elimination Northeastern Regionals in two straight games.

Welch was not drafted out of Central Islip High School because he had not fully matured as a ballplayer, but he hopes he will be able to play major league baseball.

COLONIAL BASEBALL 1990

1990 GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BASEBALL ROSTER

| NO. | NAME | HGT | WGT | B-T | DOB | CL | POS | HIGH SCHOOL/HOMETOWN |
|-----|----------------------|------|-----|-----|----------|-----|------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 12 | Aldrich, Clay | 6'1 | 185 | R-R | 9-29-67 | SR | P | Sante Fe Community College / Gainesville, FL |
| 15 | Alefantis, L.J. | 6'0 | 180 | R-R | 10-23-70 | FR | OF-P | Bishop Dennis O'Connell / McLean, VA |
| 14 | Aminoff, Matt | 5'11 | 165 | R-R | 12-29-71 | FR | P | Santa Monica / Santa Monica, CA |
| 25 | Anderson, William | 5'10 | 170 | R-R | 9-23-70 | FR | P | Queensbury / Queensbury, NY |
| 26 | Arnold, William | 6'2 | 205 | R-R | 1-5-67 | SR | P | Longmeadow / Longmeadow, MA |
| 5 | Baker, George | 5'11 | 195 | R-R | 8-13-68 | JR | IF-C | Prince Georges Community College / Lanham, MD |
| 3 | Bonfadini, Mike | 5'11 | 165 | R-R | 1-29-71 | FR | OF | Stonewall Jackson / Manassas, VA |
| 11 | Browning, Allen | 5'11 | 175 | R-R | 3-18-71 | FR | OF | Potomac / Dumfries, VA |
| 18 | Duffy, Robert | 6'1 | 175 | R-R | 3-17-71 | FR | OF | Plainridge / North Massapequa, NY |
| 13 | Eyer, Mark | 6'4 | 195 | R-R | 8-6-68 | SR | P | Liverpool / North Syracuse, NY |
| 16 | Ferguson, William | 6'1 | 195 | R-R | 12-10-69 | SO* | C | Clemson University / Chantilly, VA |
| 23 | Fischer, Paul | 6'3 | 205 | R-R | 10-17-67 | Jr* | P | Shawnee Mission South / Overland Park, KA |
| 19 | Fletcher, David | 6'3 | 215 | R-R | 3-22-70 | SO | C | Dundalk / Baltimore, MD |
| 17 | Goldfarb, Gino | 6'2 | 190 | R-R | 8-20-69 | JR | P | Christian Brothers Academy / Albany, NY |
| 27 | Jason, Scott | 6'2 | 195 | R-R | 5-15-68 | SR | OF | Polk Community College / Jacksonville, FL |
| 6 | Jenkins, Brian | 5'7 | 150 | R-R | 12-7-70 | FR | IF | Norfolk Academy / Chesapeake, VA |
| 9 | Lavan, Ken | 6'0 | 175 | R-R | 10-17-68 | JR | OF | Chestnut Hill Academy / Lafayette Hill, PA |
| 10 | Martin, Jack | 5'11 | 170 | L-L | 12-21-70 | FR | OF | Gar-Field / Woodbridge, VA |
| 24 | Novak, Don | 6'4 | 195 | R-R | 9-25-68 | JR | P | Cuyahoga Community College / Seven Hills, OH |
| 4 | Orlosky, Greg | 5'11 | 175 | R-R | 9-10-69 | JR | IF | Robinson / Fairfax, VA |
| 20 | Rentch, Daren | 5'11 | 160 | S-R | 1-11-70 | FR* | IF | Lake Braddock / Burke, VA |
| 28 | Rosenberger, Richard | 6'3 | 215 | R-R | 11-16-71 | FR | P | ArchBishop Curley / Belair, MD |
| 8 | Takitch, Pat | 6'0 | 185 | L-R | 12-30-67 | JR | IF | Allegheny Community College / Youngstown, PA |
| 22 | Trieber, John | 5'10 | 180 | R-R | 8-9-70 | SO | C | Bayley Ellard / Florham Park, NJ |
| 21 | Welch, Michael | 6'0 | 195 | L-L | 1-13-70 | SO | OF-P | St. John the Baptist / Central Islip, NY |

1. Head Coach John Castleberry

2. Assistant Coach Jay Murphy

* Redshirt

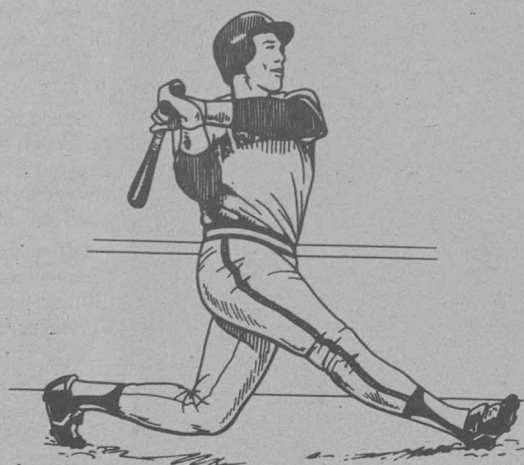
1990 GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BASEBALL SCHEDULE

| DAY | DATE | OPPONENT | TIME |
|---------|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Fri | Feb 23rd | at North Carolina State | 3:00 |
| Sat | Feb 24th | at North Carolina (2) | 12:00 |
| Sun | Feb 25th | at North Carolina | 1:00 |
| Tue | Feb 27th | at Catholic University | 3:00 |
| Wed | Feb 28th | at James Madison | 3:00 |
| Thu | Mar 1st | GEORGETOWN | 2:30 |
| Sat | Mar 3rd | DELAWARE STATE (2) | 12:00 |
| Sun | Mar 4th | VIRGINIA TECH | 1:00 |
| Tue | Mar 6th | at Towson State | 3:00 |
| Fri | Mar 9th | at San Jose State | (PST) 2:00 |
| Sat | Mar 10th | at San Jose State | (PST) 1:00 |
| Mon-Sat | Mar 12th-17th | Best in the West Tournament at Fresno, California w/Arkansas, Brigham Young, Eastern Michigan, Fresno State, Gonzaga, Maine and Portland) | |
| Mon | Mar 12th | GW vs. Arkansas | (PST) 1:00 |
| Tue | Mar 13th | GW vs. Gonzaga | (PST) 1:00 |
| Wed | Mar 14th | GW vs. Brigham Young | (PST) 10:00 |
| Thu | Mar 15th | GW vs. TBA | TBA |
| Fri | Mar 16th | GW vs. TBA | TBA |
| Sat | Mar 17th | Consolation and Championship Games | TBA |
| Tue | Mar 20th | LIBERTY | 2:30 |
| Wed | Mar 21st | at George Mason | 2:30 |
| Thu | Mar 22nd | OLD DOMINION | 2:30 |
| Sat | Mar 24th | ST. BONAVENTURE (2)* | 1:00 |
| Sun | Mar 25th | ST. BONAVENTURE (2)* | 12:00 |
| Tue | Mar 27th | at Maryland-Baltimore County | 3:00 |
| Wed | Mar 28th | NAVY | 2:30 |
| Thu | Mar 29th | DELAWARE | 2:30 |
| Sat | Mar 31st | PENN STATE (2)* | 1:00 |
| Sun | Apr 1st | PENN STATE (2)* | 12:00 |
| Tue | Apr 3rd | JAMES MADISON | 3:00 |
| Wed | Apr 4th | GEORGE MASON | 3:00 |
| Thu | Apr 5th | COPPIN STATE | 3:00 |
| Sat | Apr 7th | at Duquesne (2)* | 1:00 |
| Sun | Apr 8th | at Duquesne (2)* | 12:00 |
| Tue | Apr 10th | at TOWSON STATE | 3:00 |
| Wed | Apr 11th | at Richmond | 3:00 |
| Thu | Apr 12th | at Delaware | 3:00 |
| Sat | Apr 14th | at West Virginia (2)* | 1:00 |
| Sun | Apr 15th | at West Virginia (2)* | 12:00 |
| Tue | Apr 17th | RICHMOND | 3:00 |
| Wed | Apr 18th | MARYLAND-BALTIMORE COUNTY | 3:00 |
| Thu | Apr 19th | at Maryland | 3:00 |
| Sat | Apr 21st | at Old Dominion (2) | 5:00 |
| Sun | Apr 22nd | at Old Dominion | 1:30 |
| Tue | Apr 24th | at Georgetown | 3:00 |
| Wed | Apr 25th | MARYLAND | 3:00 |
| Wed | May 9th | NORTH CAROLINA ST. (if playing post season) | 2:00 |
| Fri-Sun | May 11th-13th | Atlantic 10 Championship (at Boyertown, PA) | TBA |

HEAD COACH: John Castleberry / ASSISTANT COACH: Jay Murphy

* Atlantic 10 Conference Games

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CAPITOL CLASS

Close-up with candidate Dixon

Mayoral hopeful set for battle

by Christopher Moore

Sharon Pratt Dixon is on the phone. She's running late and her associates are apologetic. They are trying to fit everything a mayoral candidate must do into her schedule — it's a constant battle against the clock.

This battle against time is being waged in part from Dixon's personal Eye Street office. It's a creamy, clean, sparse place. It seems like a calm, safe port in the storm of a mayoral campaign just getting out from under the shadow of the Barry drug bust and speculation of the Jackson candidacy.

Such is the life of a mayoral candidate.

"I do enjoy it," Dixon says, once she's off the phone and through apologizing for the delay. "I have good days and bad days but most days I do enjoy it."

examined and talked about.

Also, there was the issue of money. Dixon, a successful lawyer, felt her first responsibility was to her family. "It was a financial sacrifice," she says. "I had to think that through and see if I could take care of my responsibilities." She decided she could. She decided to run.

"I don't like people who stand on the sidelines of life," Dixon explains. That was the bottom line, the rationale, the ultimate reason for making the race. It turns out her two daughters are excited about the prospects of a mother who's Washington's mayor. Dixon, in turn, says that having two daughters who are "reasonably happy people" is her greatest achievement.

"They're used to politics," Dixon says of her daughters. "I think they got weary of it (for a while). I think they are very excited now."

And the race is on . . .

by Christopher Moore

Today *Capitol Class* begins a series of profiles on the city's mayoral candidates.

D.C. Council Chairman Dave Clarke, Councilman John Ray, Councilwoman Charlene Drew Jarvis and lawyer Sharon Pratt Dixon are announced candidates for the Democratic mayoral nomination. Ray and Jarvis have both run for mayor before, while Clarke and Dixon are both making the race for the first time.

Rep. Walter Fauntroy, the district's Congressional representative, will also run. It was not known until this past weekend if Fauntroy would abandon his "safe" Congressional seat for a much riskier run for mayor.

Also, the Rev. Jesse Jackson announced last week that he would not be running.

Former D.C. Police Chief Maurice Turner is running as a Republican candidate. The district has never had a Republican mayor and the Democratic Party has been the overwhelming favorite among voters in the past. However, Turner was heralded by many for his work as the district's police chief during a turbulent time. Turner resigned that position last year amid speculation about his increasing differences with Mayor Barry.

Incumbent Mayor Marion Barry has not announced whether he will seek an unprecedented fourth term. His arraignment on drug charges last month has left his political future in question.

We begin today with Sharon

Pratt Dixon, a former executive for the Potomac Energy and Power Company and one-time treasurer of the Democratic National Committee. Not unfamiliar to GW, Dixon spoke to a crowd of approximately 100 people during a Marvin Center appearance on Jan. 22.

Dixon is widely viewed as the candidate most likely to attack Barry and his administration. She was the first candidate to call for Barry's resignation and the only candidate to ask Jackson to end the speculation about whether he would run for mayor. In her Jan. 22 speech to GW students, she emphasized her roots in the district, where she was born, raised and educated. Dixon says she is the only candidate committed to making significant changes in the status quo.

"... I am much more comfortable with bold, new ideas and wanting to forge a new consensus."

Such is the life of Sharon Pratt Dixon, who describes herself as a decidedly different kind of candidate. She points out that three of her opponents for the Democratic nomination for mayor are already insiders. D.C. Councilman Dave Clarke, Councilwoman Charlene Drew Jarvis (whose council campaign Dixon once worked on) and Councilman John Ray are all practitioners of traditional politics who would pretty much protect the status quo.

At least that's what Dixon says, and she has a disarming tendency to actually answer the questions she is asked.

She is viewed by many in the press as being the most aggressive candidate running. She's attacked the Barry administration more vehemently than other mayoral contenders. For instance, Dixon was the first Democratic candidate to call for Barry's resignation. She was the first to call on Jackson to stop teasing and declare his intentions.

Part of the Dixon difference, she says, is ingrained in her personality. "I think, number one, that I am much more comfortable with bold, new ideas and wanting to forge a new consensus," she says.

Being unafraid to question popular assumptions is important, Dixon maintains, and she says she's willing to do just that.

Running for mayor, though, wasn't an easy decision to make. At first, Dixon says, she asked around to see who was willing to make the race. She couldn't get other potential candidates interested. With her two daughters now in college, she felt it would be an appropriate time to take the leap.

Dixon knew the drawbacks going in. She knew she was a private person giving up her privacy, and she says a mayor is mayor 24 hours a day. A mayor is a role model who is watched,

Ultimately, Dixon decided she could fulfill responsibilities to her family and become a candidate," she says. "The community was saying it needed new

her city at the same time. "The community, more than anything, prompted me to

leadership."

Part of the Dixon campaign strategy relies on support from outside the district. The candidate says she's found a strong sense of support around the country, although the speculation about Jackson didn't help candidates like Dixon get ahead in the fundraising game.

Dixon maintained all along that Jackson was unlikely to run. "He has no intention of running," she says — and this was before Jackson announced last week that he wouldn't run.

"He has no interest. He never has had an interest. He has no intention and he never has had any intention," Dixon took Jackson to task for playing with the city at a time when it's hurting and in need of leadership. "The media has been playing his game," Dixon says.

Asked if D.C. Congressional representative Walter Fauntroy will run, she says, "I don't have any idea. It's possible. I don't think it matters. By that I mean I'm the candidate for those who want to affect change." Dixon goes on to say that Fauntroy's candidacy is clearly designed to protect the status quo.

A recent Washington Post editorial suggested that the time had come to settle down and discuss the issues of the mayoral campaign. Dixon agrees. "We need to move on," she says. "The city's hurting." It's difficult to engage public interest in pressing issues with all the focus on non-candidates like Jackson or maybe-candidates like Fauntroy.

Two issues Dixon points to are the drugs-crime combination and increasing numbers of homeless people. The reason for much of the drug crisis, she says, is that young people are reaching for their "slice of the American dream" and finding it in the drug economy. These young people have no anchors, she adds, as she talks about the need for role models. "I can't think of a more critical issue facing our society than finding anchors."

The changing role of women in our society also interests Dixon. Americans are still dealing with the repercussions of having so many women in the work force, she believes. Women won't be going back to the way things were, she

says, nor should they, but the government will have to play an active role in child care. "The state will have to provide the missing ingredients," Dixon argues. "The state will have to help."

There is more to running for mayor than just discussing issues. It's a very public race that can change a private person. Dixon says she's prone to reflective moods.

"I just get lost — I get very reflective," she says. She's found, since taking to the campaign trail, that this penchant for reflection can seem standoffish. "As a candidate, you can be in a pensive mood and people may think you're unapproachable," she explains.

That's exactly the way a candidate doesn't want to come off, Dixon says. A candidate must always be approachable and visibly seem to be reaching out.

"We need to move on . . . the city's hurting."

Dixon says she's learned from the campaign how important things like body language can be. She's tried to make the necessary changes in her behavior.

"Whatever changes I make are part of the growing process," she says.

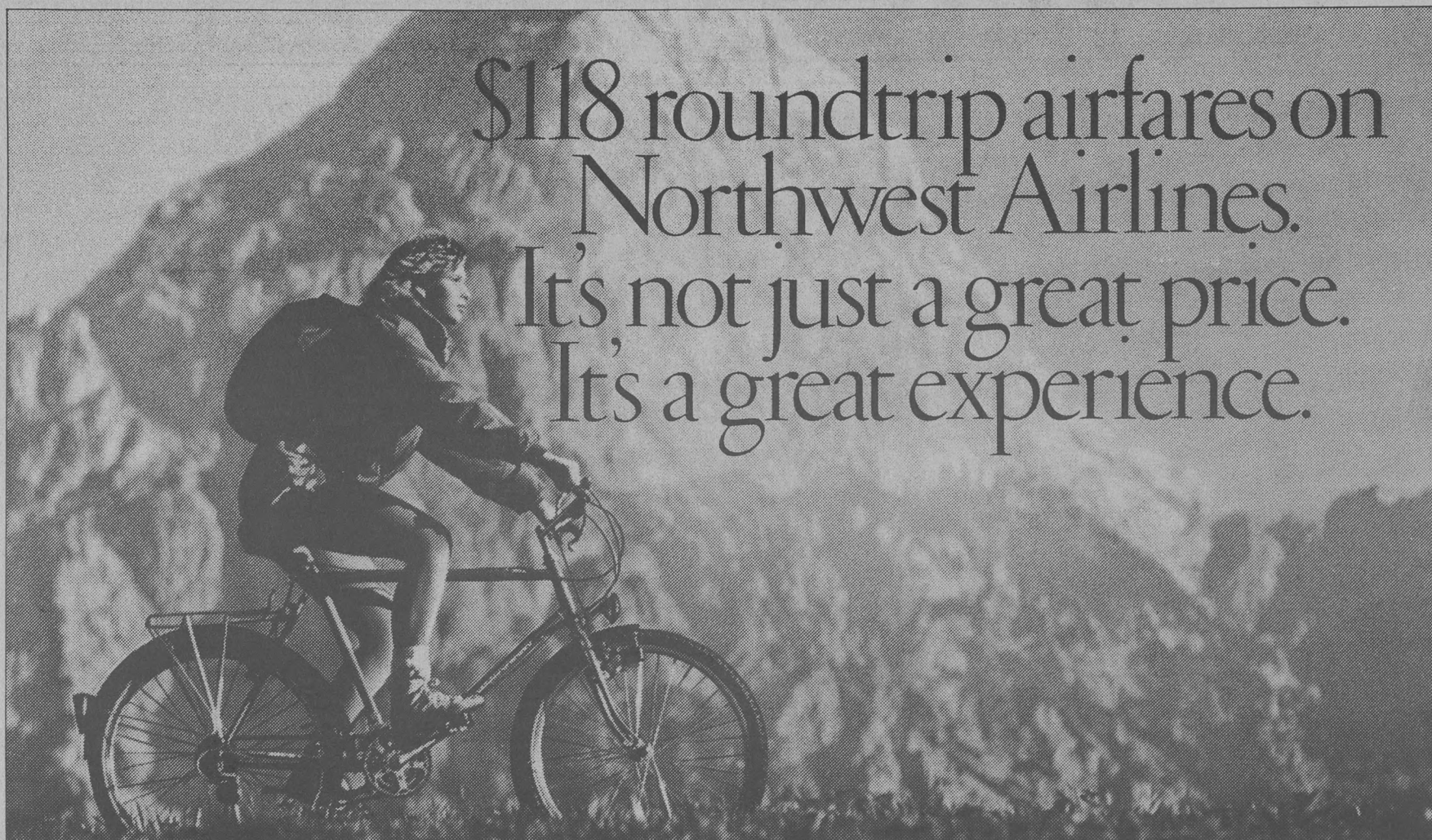
The worst part of all this? "The hardest part is raising money," Dixon answers. "Politics is very expensive." It's particularly hard for a candidate who wants to make serious and significant changes in the way the city is being run. The more dramatic a change you want to make, Dixon says, the more difficult it is to raise money.

Difficult or not, Dixon keeps talking about changes. "I'm not preoccupied with what others think. I focus on what I think should be." She also says she's not preoccupied with the past and doesn't tend to dwell on things. "That's my nature," candidate Dixon says, "it always has been."



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D.C. Mayoral candidate Sharon Pratt Dixon



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Career Watch

Cover letter key to a job hunter's successful resume

Most job seekers place emphasis on preparing a "perfect" resume. No doubt your resume should be concise, flawless and a strong self-presumption. The fact remains, however, that cover letters must always accompany resumes, and employers must be impressed by this initial introduction to pursue the resume with serious interest. A resume alone is not effective in acquiring an interview.

Never underestimate the power of correspondence in your job search; the cover letter, in particular, is your vehicle for sending a personalized message about your potential value to each organization. A succession of well-written communication, including thank you and acceptance letters, shows the employer that you sincerely want the job.

Your cover letter has two main purposes: to present individual qualifications related to the specific job requirements and elicit further consideration by the employer. When compiling your cover letter, remember the following:

- Use standard business letter style. Professional communication ability remains a significant factor that employers consider in evaluating and comparing applicants.

- Each letter must be individually tailored to the needs of the employer. Never duplicate a letter; each must be original.

- Do not use "To whom it may concern." Research, obtain and use the name and title of the person to whom you are writing. Use a formal salutation.

- Tell why you are writing in the introductory paragraph. Name the position in which you are interested and tell how you heard of the opening. Succinctly state who may have referred you to the position.

- Give details about the purpose of writing in the second paragraph. Write complete sentences, avoid large, unnecessary words and vary sentence length. Cover the central theme completely and make paragraphs two to five sentences. Mention the qualifications you believe would be of greatest interest to the employer and tell why you are particularly interested in the company, location or type of work. Refer reader to the enclosed resume.

- In the closing paragraph, make a specific request for an interview or other action and state a time and date when you will contact them to follow up. Thank the reader for their time.

- Always send a letter that is neat, error-free, typed, complete and signed. Check several times for grammar and spelling.

- Always keep copies of letters to save time and embarrassment if correspondence is later lost in the mail.

Remember, a cover letter is as important as your resume. A strong cover

letter will lead employers to your resume, and both will provide opportunities for your professional future.

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"By using 1959 principles in 1990, you can't raise your kids properly and also understand them," she said. "We have become a wimp society. People say 'Don't bother me, we can't cope.'"

Bias said people should take care of themselves, especially when it comes to

life-threatening decisions.

She said people have no power over drugs, adding, "Sooner or later you will feel the bite." She mentioned a college student she knows who was just rehabilitated and can not tolerate snow because it resembles cocaine.

"I'm hearing over and over again that 'We can't do anything with the kids. Just let them drink responsibly,'" Bias said. "Responsible drinking means that all you do is get a designated driver and then you can go out and get as drunk as you want to, as long as you don't get

killed."

She said alcohol-related accidents are the primary killer of young people today.

"The forward portion of our brain is where all common sense lies. And this is the first part of your brain that is affected when you drink alcohol," Bias added.

She said one misconception young people have is that if you wear the clothes everyone else wears and shop at the right stores, "everything will be great."

"We know that is a lie," she said.

The biggest lie facing young people for the next three or four years is AIDS, she said.

"On the front page of USA Today there was an article about the ambulance attendants that pick people up and perform CPR. They said they are not going to do it anymore because this virus is transmitted through the saliva," she said.

Shortly after Bias' death in 1986, then-Athletic Director of University of Maryland Dick Dull said in a New York Times interview, "I've been here 10

years, and to say this is the saddest day of my life would be an understatement."

In that same issue, Larry Bird, Celtics forward, was quoted as saying, "It's the cruelest thing I ever heard. I was really looking forward to coming to rookie camp just to play with him."

Sponsored by the Golden Key National Honor Society, The Office of Campus Life, Residence Hall Association and GW Program Board, the event kicked-off National Collegiate Drug Awareness Week.

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Miriam's All-Nighter postponed

Miriam's All-Nighter was postponed until Saturday, March 24, because event organizers did not reach prior expectations, according to GW Community Action Network Co-coordinator Jill Pincus.

Pincus would not specify what type of expectation they hoped to meet by postponing the event, but added that she was "finalizing some organizational things and expanding some things that go into doing the All-Nighter the right way."

Some teams have canceled because of the postponement, she said, noting one sorority is having its formal on the

new night. Pincus said she hopes new teams will replace them at the annual event planned to raise money for Miriam's Kitchen.

According to Pincus, another problem which might interfere with the All-Nighter's new date is the Residence Hall lottery, also set for the evening of the 24th.

"(The lottery) should be over by the time people have to participate in the All-Nighter," she said.

According to Pincus, most responses CAN received regarding the postponement were positive, as several people were relieved it would not be in the

middle of midterms.

"The timing is going to be better for more people," she said.

Miriam's All-Nighter, which raised more than \$7,000 last year, involves teams of 15 people — at least seven of which are female — participating in various athletic and nonathletic activities. The teams pay a \$75 fee.

"The All-Nighter is a big thing on campus and we felt it would be better to postpone it and make sure that it's the best it can be," Pincus said.

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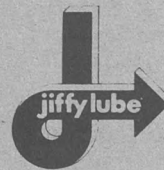
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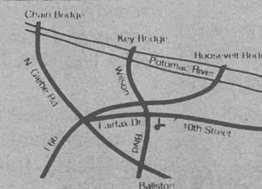
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GYMNASTICS VS NORTH CAROLINA STATE. 7pm, Smith Center. Info: 994-8584

AMERICAN MARKETING ASSOCIATION - GENERAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS. 7pm, Marvin Center 413. Info: 223-8721

WOODEN TEETH LITERARY MAGAZINE MEETING. 7:30pm, Marvin Center 413. Open to all students. Info: 457-1162

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GW AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL - GENERAL MEETING. 8:30pm, Marvin Center 406. Info: 676-3020

* WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7 *

MILLER ANALOGIES TEST (MAT). 12:30pm, 718 21st St. (Bldg N). \$35 fee. Registration & prepayment should be made two weeks in advance. Info: 994-6550

OPENING RECEPTION - "GW FINE ARTS FACULTY EXHIBIT." 5-7pm, Dimock Gallery, Lower Lisner Auditorium. Sponsored by Columbian College of Arts & Sciences. Info: 994-1525

PROGRAM BOARD WEEKLY MEETING. 8:30pm, Marvin Center 429. Info: 994-7313

* THURSDAY, MARCH 8 *

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* FRIDAY, MARCH 9 *

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* ANNOUNCEMENTS *

Deadline for Undergraduate Financial Aid Applications is Monday, March 5, 8:30am-5:30pm, Office of Student Financial Assistance, Rice Hall 309. Info: 994-6620

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Exhibit "GW Fine Arts Faculty Exhibition," March 8-27, Dimock Gallery, Lower Lisner Auditorium. See also listing for Wednesday, March 7. Info: 994-1525.

"Concerned About Your Drug or Alcohol Use?" a workshop sponsored by University Counseling Center. Time decided by members. Call group leader, Debbie Wilson, for pre-group interview. Info: 994-6550.

GW Rugby Team is practicing for spring season. Practice three X a week. Games on weekends, 605 21st St., NW (across street from Strong Hall). Info: 676-2518 or 676-7749.

Symposium & demonstrations "Information Options for the '90s: New Direction for Teaching & Research," March 6-8. Info: 994-6455

"Adult Children of Parents Who Drink," two ongoing groups now in progress, sponsored by University Counseling Center, Thursday, 3:45-5:15pm, Marvin Center 411. Call group leader, Kaysie McCann or Cherian Verghese for pre-group interview. Info: 994-6550.

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Exhibit "The Artistic University Family Exhibit" from April 9-May 18, Colonnade Gallery, Marvin Center, 3rd floor. All GW students, faculty, & staff are invited to submit artworks of their own creation. Entry forms available in Marvin Center 427. Deadline for submissions is April 3. Info: 994-6555.

The Colonnade Gallery is soliciting proposals of exhibits for '90-91 exhibit schedule. Proposal forms available in Marvin Center 427. Deadline for submissions is March 30. Info: 994-6555.

Drug Awareness Week '90 "Use It. . . You'll Lose It!" to impact GW, through March 7. Watch for info tables & special activities throughout the week.

New sorority added to GW Panhellenic

The Panhellenic Association accepted the Sigma Gamma Phi sorority as an associate member Feb. 13, in accordance with a new regulation seeking to even out the size differences in the present national sororities.

Panhellenic President Jill Pincus said the ruling, which requires a new chapter to remain local for at least two years, will benefit the sorority because "it's not fair to have to compete with the larger, more established ones."

The sorority was formed when Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity nationally disbanded its little sister program, prompting 10 GW members to remain in the group, which has grown to 25.

In order to be accepted by Panhellenic, Sigma Gamma Phi had to have a constitution, and 25 percent of its members had to be underclassmen. As

an associate member, the sorority is entitled to a voice, but not a vote, on the Panhellenic board.

Sigma Gamma Phi president Jennifer Manna said the sorority needs to establish itself in the GW community before considering going national.

"We're not too well known now, and we're just trying to get involved in campus life as much as possible," she said. "We hope to participate in Greek Week and other inter-Greek activities."

Manna said the sorority has received help from Panhellenic and other established sororities on campus.

"Alpha Theta Beta, the other local sorority, has been especially supportive, and we're hoping to work together to plan some joint activities," she said.

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Greeks, student groups sponsor blood drives

by Stewart L. Todd
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Several campus organizations sponsored blood drives last week to help the Red Cross compensate for recent blood shortages in the community.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority co-sponsored a blood drive last Tuesday, and Sigma Chi sponsored another the following day. The College Republicans, Young Americans for Freedom and Program Board also co-sponsored a blood drive Wednesday in the Marvin Center Ballroom.

The KKG-SAE blood drive got approximately 45 pints of blood donated by numerous GW students, including many members from the two groups.

Kelly Mackie, Kappa Kappa Gamma's Philanthropy chairman, said the blood drive went extremely well. The volunteers manned tables on which snacks and drinks were available to those who gave blood, and Domino's Pizza provided two free pizzas every hour. The Red Cross also passed out surveys to students in order to identify new methods of increasing the number of people donating blood.

Johnny Friedman, SAE's Community Service chair, said even if the

members of the two groups sponsoring the event couldn't give blood themselves, they helped out in any way they could.

"I think both Kappa and SAE are both satisfied with the outcome," he added.

Other attempts to raise blood were successful.

According to Sigma Chi's Public Relations chair Michael Zeidel, the Red Cross only asked for 50 pints, but Sigma Chi felt that it could exceed this goal and set their own mark of 60. The group exceeded its goal in this, their fourth-annual blood drive.

At one point during the event, workers had to start placing donors on a schedule because the large number of people who volunteered to give blood. In addition to the many participants in the drive, the event had to be extended almost two hours to accommodate all the donors.

Zeidel encouraged everyone to donate blood at least once.

"It's fast, easy, painless and people need the blood," he said. "There is a great fear about giving blood but that fear is completely unfounded."

The CR/YAF/PB blood drive collected 51 pints of blood, also exceeding its self-imposed goal of 50 by one. "I would have liked to have gotten

more," said CR Communications Director and event organizer Jennifer Wilson, noting that midterms and GW Student Association elections "hindered the amount that we got."

Wilson said she planned the event for both the club and personal reasons, as her father is a volunteer for the Red

Cross, and "it's a good cause and really needed."

She said she was pleased that members of GW's College Democrats and Progressive Student Union participated in the event.

"I didn't want this to be a political blood drive," Wilson said.

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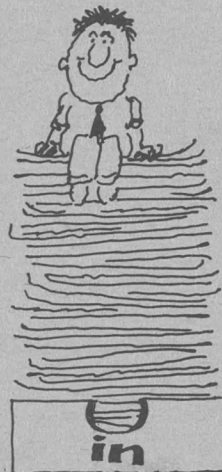
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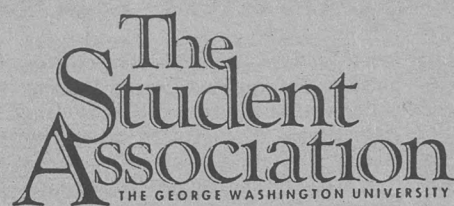
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Peer writing center looks for new tutors

by Shelby Rosenberg
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW Writing Center — currently accepting applications for peer writing tutors — is looking for a few good people with strong interpersonal, communication, oral and writing skills. "(Tutoring) is a good experience for people to engage in," said English professor and Writing Center Director Kim Moreland.

The center holds tutorial sessions for all students at the University. Students can come in for help with a rough or completed draft, Moreland said.

She stressed that the tutors should be interested in improving their own writing skills, as well as others. Accepted applicants are required to take a three-credit course in the fall in order to be "very well trained when they come here," she added.

This year's 26 undergraduate peer tutors working for the center provide a "pretty wide variety of experiences," according to Moreland, and a majority

of the tutors are not English majors.

The center is in its 12th year, Moreland said, and is continuing to prosper.

"It's growing . . . because it's filling a clear need from students," Moreland said.

She also cited support from Columbian College and the English department as a key to its success.

Moreland said it is a student's decision on whether or not to use the center.

"I personally don't encourage professors to require students to come," Moreland said.

She said some students believe that tutors only work with people who have serious writing difficulties. However, she said, anybody who thinks it may be useful to have a trained outsider look at their paper should come to the center.

"We don't edit papers," Moreland said. "It's a learning experience for both people."

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However, that was as close as SBU would get, as the Bonnies shooting went cold and GW returned its lead to 13 points with 1:01 to go, putting the game out of reach.

Holland (13 rebounds) led the Colonials with 24 points, followed by McKennie with 21 and Jones with 20, plus a team-high 14 boards, moving him to eighth all-time for career rebounds at GW.

NLC to unite first years, alumni 'mentors'

by Shelby Rosenberg

Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW National Law Center recently established a mentor program to "provide first year students with tips and information on law school survival," according to a Feb. 14 NLC announcement.

The program allows law students to meet with NLC alumni who work in a field similar to the students' interests. They can meet for lunch or in the alumni's office "informally throughout the year, discuss concerns about law classes and summer employment," according to the announcement.

Almost 80 students and NLC alumni

members are currently involved in the program, and according to NLC Dean Jack H. Friedenthal, several other people "want to get in it."

"The mentor program benefits both the students and the alumni mentors," Friedenthal said. "The students gain invaluable insight into the professional world of law through their mentor's experiences. In turn, the alumni, as mentors, have the opportunity to become closely connected to the Law Center while at the same time, helping to guide those who will follow them in the legal profession."

Assistant Dean for External Affairs Susan Medalie, who developed the

program, said, "It's great. It's the best thing since sliced bread."

She said the program allows alumni to have a meaningful role in the law school. The first year is a really difficult year, she said, and this provides a honest and helpful relationship.

Medalie has opened a career network, contacting New York, Dallas and Houston. The meetings with mentors are currently being held for prospective students, she added.

Medalie said this is "a whole kind of new concept. This is going to be an ongoing program," she said, adding that there are almost 9,000 alumni in the Washington area alone, and the program has received support both externally and internally.

"By and large, it seems pretty successful," Friedenthal said. "It's a nice thing. It gives someone who is already in a practice a chance to get close to a student and give advice. People need to talk."

"I try to meet with the mentors," Medalie said, noting that she has requested board members ask GW graduates to recruit more alumni.

The NLC is planning a mentor party, and Medalie said she hopes the volunteers will bring other alumni, "so we can extend (the program) for next year."

According to Medalie, GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg has indicated that the program is a great idea.

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Colonials defeated in A-10 tournament quarterfinals

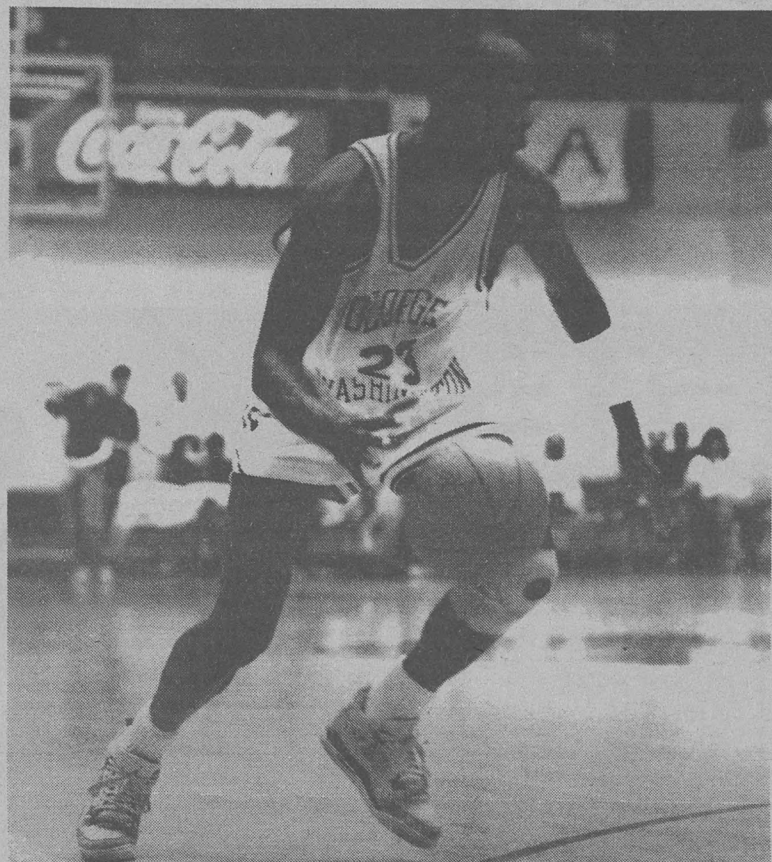


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Ellis McKennie had 15 assists against SBU.

Knocked out by Lions, 83-72, after downing SBU in first round

by Ted Gotsch

Asst. Sports Editor

PHILADELPHIA, March 4 — The GW men's basketball team's season ended in the quarterfinals of the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament with a 83-72 loss to Penn State at the Palestra in Philadelphia — the Colonials' third loss to the Nittany Lions this year.

Saturday, in the first round of the tournament, GW defeated St. Bonaventure for the third time this season, 85-77. The win marked the first time the Colonials have won an A-10 tournament game since 1987.

Yesterday, PSU lead 42-33 at the intermission, but GW was within 49-43 after a Glen Sitney foul shot with 12:13 remaining in the game.

PSU pulled away from the Colonials, but GW had a last run to cut the margin to 65-58 with 4:32 left after an Ellis McKennie jumper.

"I kept telling the guys if we just kept playing defense, the points would come," McKennie said.

But the Lions answered every Colonial run, controlling the boards (42-32) and hitting their foul shots, shooting 79.3 percent from the line (23 of 29).

"Our team played with a tremendous amount of heart," GW head coach John

Kuester said. "(PSU's) DeRon Hayes and (Ed) Fogell hit tough shots.

"Going into the season, we thought this was more of a 17-14 team than a 14-17 team," he added.

At a post game press conference, when questioned about his future at GW, Kuester was silent for about 30 seconds and then asked for the next question.

In five years at GW, Kuester is has 50 wins and 94 losses for a 34.7 winning percentage.

As has happened many times this season, GW shot under 40 percent from the field in an A-10 game (35.9 percent on 23-of-64 shooting).

"We were not taking bad shots, just not making shots," Kuester said.

"We're not going to win when I shoot 2-15 and Glen shoots 5-13," said McKennie, a third-team All-A-10 guard for the 1989-90 season.

Sitney finished with 15 points and seven rebounds, while McKennie had 13 points and six steals.

Mike Jones had 14 points and a team-high 10 rebounds for GW in his final game for the Colonials.

Freshman Sonni Holland, who was named to the A-10 All-Rookie team, fouled out with 7:30 remaining, scoring

only four points.

Penn State was lead by James Barnes with 20 points. Hayes and Freddie Barnes (nine assists) each scored 17.

In first half, PSU opened the game with a 17-4 run and got its lead up 24-10 on an Fogell foul shot with 8:30 remaining. GW responded with a 8-0 spurt capped by Jones' field goal at with 6:32 left cutting the Nittany Lion lead to 24-18.

Saturday, GW won behind strong performances by Holland, McKennie and Jones.

McKennie set an A-10 tournament record and tied an all-time conference tournament mark with 15 assists — also a school record.

Leading 45-40 at halftime, GW opened up an 18-point lead with 13:08 remaining by going on a 19-4 run, capped by a Jones free-throw. After trading baskets for the next 2:30, the Colonials led, 70-52.

The Bonnies (8-20) responded by going on a 16-3 spurt behind six points each by Michael Burnett (career-high 27 points) and Kenrick Hamilton (20 points), cutting the lead to 73-68 with 5:19 left.

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Hokies beat GW use 10-run burst

Team now 2-8 after 16-6 pounding from Virginia Tech at RFK

by Holger Stolzenberg

Hatchet Staff Writer

GW's Bill Arnold, in relief of starting pitcher Paul Fischer, gave up 10 runs in the top of the seventh inning as Virginia Tech beat the GW baseball team, 16-6, yesterday at RFK Auxiliary Field, dropping the Colonials to 2-8 on the season after a 1-2 weekend.

Arnold entered the game in the sixth inning with GW trailing, 6-2. He pitched through the inning without yielding a run, but fell into trouble in the seventh after a walk, single and an intentional walk loaded the bases for the Hokies.

After a single scored a run and left the bases loaded, Arnold yielded a grand slam, widening the score to 11-2.

Arnold then hit a batter, gave up a single and allowed his second homer of the inning. The next batter grounded out, but GW's troubles continued when shortstop Darren Rentch made an error. When Arnold walked the next batter, GW head coach John Castleberry replaced him with Gino Goldfarb and later Mark Eyer.

Saturday, GW split a double header with Delaware State, dropping the nightcap, 8-5. Starting freshman pitcher Rich Rosenberger was responsible for five of the eight runs.

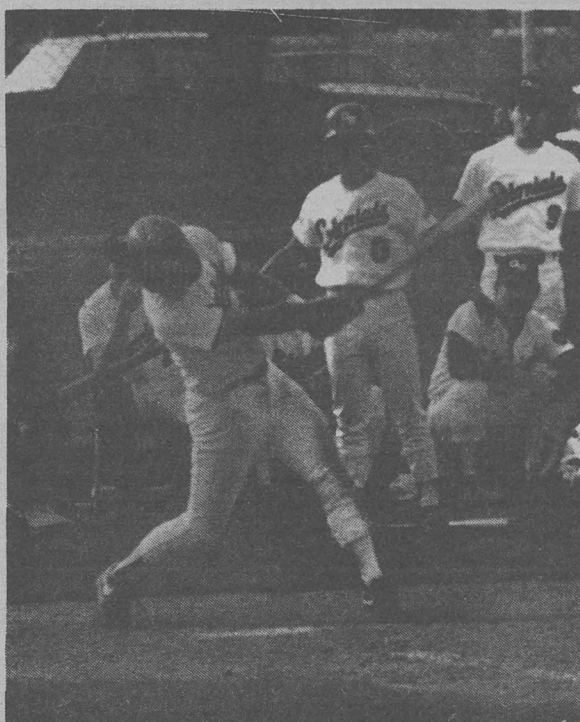
In the first inning, Delaware St. had a 1-0 lead, but GW responded, taking a 3-1 advantage.

The Hornets came back in the second, hitting a grand slam off Rosenberger, for a 5-3 lead. GW answered with a run in the bottom of the second, climbing to within one.

But, Delaware St. scored three runs in the top of the third, while GW picked up only one run in the bottom of the inning to trail, 8-5.

From the fourth inning on, no runs were scored. GW's Don Novak pitched his first outing for the Colonials, allowing two hits and a walk in 3 2/3 innings.

In Saturday's opening game, GW won only its second game of the season, shutting out Delaware State, 10-0. Fresh-



The Colonials needed bigger bats yesterday as Virginia Tech beat them, 16-6.

photo by Greg Heller

man Bill Anderson pitched a complete game shutout, striking out seven, while allowing only just three Hornets to reach base.

The Colonials got the only run they needed in the second inning on singles by David Fletcher, Greg Orlosky and George Baker. Fletcher was tagged out at home when trying to score on Baker's single, but that enabled Orlosky to reach third. On the next play, Orlosky scored on a double steal, although Baker was thrown out at second.

GW had a big game from Fletcher. As DH, he batted three-for-three and drove in two runs. He hit a solo home-run in the fifth inning, as well as a single and a double.

Baker was three-for-three with two singles and a double. Thursday, GW lost at home to Georgetown, 8-5, and Wednesday fell at James Madison, 5-1.

Tuesday, GW won its first game of the year defeating Catholic, 5-1.

On deck — GW's next nine games are on the road. The Colonials return home to play Liberty, Mar. 20 at 2:30 p.m.

Cagers lose, 75-66; play PSU in 1st round

by Jennifer Wilson

Hatchet Staff Writer

In her last home game, Karin Vadelund scored 30 points, leading the GW women's basketball team to a 72-54 win over St. Bonaventure in its last regular season contest. The Colonial women (14-13 overall, 8-10 in the Atlantic 10 Conference) also fell to Penn State, 75-66, Thursday at the Smith Center.

According to Vadelund, SBU's "sloppy, ugly" play took the Colonial women out of their game.

"We let them hang on for awhile, then (GW head coach Joe McKeown) pulled me out and said, 'Come on, enough of this,'" Vadelund said, "and then towards the end we really blew them out."

"I thought we made them play sloppy," McKeown said. "Our defense forced bad passes. It's hard to make a good pass with hands in your face."

The Colonial women took an 11-0 lead after forcing three early turnovers and three steals. GW's Anne Riley had two steals and scored four points.

"We had great pressure defense. St. Bonaventure is a young team and they didn't handle the pressure very well," McKeown said.

The Colonial women had 13 steals for the game, while Riley had five and Vadelund added four.

Also, GW's Jennifer Shasky scored 14 points and had three steals.

Kristin McArdle played in her second game back after her Feb. 3 ankle injury. She grabbed four rebounds for the Colonial women

and added six points.

"Kristin's presence makes other teams have more respect for GW," McKeown said. "She's a great ball-handler and she can score inside and outside."

In the Colonial women's loss to 25th ranked Penn State, GW was led by Vadelund's 18 points, Shasky's 16 and Riley's 12. Susan Robinson scored 21 points and Lynn Dougherty scored 20 for the Nittany Lions.

The difference in the game was free-throw shooting, where PSU scored 11 more from the line than GW. The Lions were 24 of 27 and the Colonial women were 13 of 20. Both teams shot 40 percent (23-57) from the field.

After Vadelund nailed a three-pointer, the Colonial women cut the lead to five with 35 seconds left. But, the Nittany Lions made four free throws and GW lost both Vadelund and Riley to fouls, sealing the PSU victory.

The Colonial women were out-rebounded 42-23, including a 25-7 deficit in the first 20 minutes. Riley and McArdle led the Colonial women with five rebounds each.

Hoops — GW faces Penn State again in the quarterfinals of the A-10 tournament, Wednesday at Penn St. te.

"I think we've got a great advantage because we lost to Penn State twice this year, and most coaches will agree that it is hard to beat a team three times in one season," McKeown said.

"If we get hot, we can beat anyone," he added.